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AFRICA

South African Segregation Leader Malan Dies At 85

STELLENBOSCH, South Africa (UPI)—Daniel F. Malan, father of South Africa's policy of total racial segregation, died Saturday of a stroke. He was 85.

The former prime minister suffered a stroke late last year and went into relapse Friday. Death came early Saturday at his home.

The unrelenting individual was a staunch champion of two causes in particular: apartheid and severing all ties between his British Commonwealth country and Great Britain. Until his retirement in 1954 he fought ceaselessly to make the Union of South Africa a republic.

Malan was considered a reformer by nature and throughout his life was never assailed by doubts as to the righteousness of his own ideas.

Born in Riebeck West in the Cape Colony on May 22, 1874, Malan ascended the pulpit of the Dutch Reformed Church. Too much the man of action to be satisfied merely exhorting others from the pulpit, Malan abandoned the ministry in 1912 to edit "Die Berger," a newspaper founded to support Gen. Hertzog's National Party.

In June, 1924, Malan received the three government portfolios of education, interior and public health and set out on a nine-year program of reform.

Then, in 1948, in a bitter election campaign, Malan toppled the regime of Field Marshall Jan Christian Smuts and soon after began his campaign to make the union a nation rooted in the principle of apartheid—total white supremacy.

He sponsored legislation disenfranchising Negroes and aimed at removing from the voting rolls the names of 38,000 "colored," or half-castes. After the Senate passed the act that set up a separate voting list for coloreds, the legislation was opposed on grounds coloreds were assured equal voting rights by the South

Africa act of 1910.

The courts upheld the Senate in 1956, after Malan was out of office two years. Supporters of his apartheid views have since extended the doctrine of racial "separateness" to church attendance, transportation and other areas.

DOCTOR ROBINSON

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DENTIST
OFFICE- OVER. FAIR'S
STORE
TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA
PASSED OVER THE WEEK-END.

Miss Gilbert Paid Last Respect

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Funeral for Miss Gilbert, staff member of Alabama State College, was held Sunday afternoon at Jacob's CME Church. She died June 16. Official at ASC said that this was the second staff loss through death within the past three months at this college.

Miss Gilbert was a 1921 graduate of Talladega College and received the master's degree from Teachers College in 1928.

She had just completed 35 years of staff service at Alabama State College as assistant professor of Elementary Education and as associate principal of the Campus Laboratory School. Her service had begun back in 1922 under the administration of the late George W. Trenholm.

Thousands of Alabama's elementary school teachers had received their professional training and stimulation under her direction.

Miss Gilbert was a life member of the American Teachers Association and an active member of the Alabama State Teachers Association. She gave devoted support to many professional projects.

Services held for Tuskegee teacher

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — Mrs. Basiline B. Holsey, a retired Tuskegee Institute teacher, was buried in the chapel grounds on campus last week following requiem mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

The widow of Albon L. Holsey, who for 36 years was an official at Tuskegee, Mrs. Holsey had been in ill health since 1947 when she retired.

A graduate of Atlanta University, Mrs. Holsey also studied at Columbia University and at

the Sorbonne in Paris.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Lucille B. Bain and Mrs. Thelma B. Davis.

Funeral Rites For Damon Lee, Pioneer Citizen

Funeral rites for Damon Lee, Sr., 89-year-old retired Homewood pioneer business and civic leader, were held Sunday, Aug. 30, at Union Bethel Baptist Church, Homewood, of which the Rev. Rufus C. Guice is the pastor.

The Rev. W. Woodgame, Jr., pastor of Sixth Avenue Baptist Church, South, delivered the eulogy.

Mr. Lee passed at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26.

He was born Jan. 10, 1870, in Russell County. Mr. Lee moved to Rosedale, currently re-named Homewood, in 1899. He founded the Damon Lee and Son Grocery Company in Homewood and served as head of the Lee's Interests until his retirement in 1958.

In local business circles he was characterized as one of this area's most successful real estate brokers. He lived at 1718 27th Ave., So. Homewood.

Close survivors include three sons, Afton M. Lee, Sr., Dr. Damon Lee, Jr., of Los Angeles, Calif., and M. Ward H. Lee, 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Burial was in the Grace Hill Cemetery with Smith & Gaston Funeral Home in charge.

Old Employee Of Tuskegee Institute Dies

TUSKEGEE — Miss Cora O. Fant, employee of Tuskegee Institute for 43 years and one of the school's most ardent fund-raisers, died Sunday evening in a local hospital after a long illness.

Miss Fant came to Tuskegee in 1916 and began work in the office of publicity for fund raising while continuing her schooling. She served under the last three of the school's four presidents, beginning with Dr. Robert R. Moton, a year after the death of Tuskegee's founder, Booker T. Washington.

She graduated from the institute in 1940.

At the time of her death, she was a special gifts assistant in the school's institutional development program. She also assisted in setting up the United Negro College Fund and worked in the Pittsburg, Pa., office during 1944.

Miss Fant was born in Union, S. C., in 1900 and was the 11th of 12 children. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Josie Smith, Springfield, Ohio.

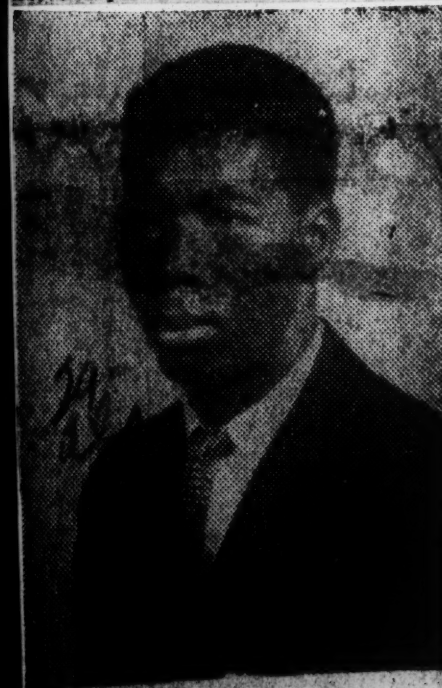
Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. from the Greenwood Baptist Church.

Arlee Russell Jr. Morehouse Freshman, Rites Slated Sunday

Funeral services for Arlee Russell, Jr., 18-year-old Morehouse College freshman, were set for one o'clock Sunday afternoon, Oct. 4 at the Greenwood Baptist Church, 500 Ninth Ave. No.

The Morehouse freshman drowned Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 23 in the swimming pool of the comparatively new gymnasium of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga. He lived at 105 Bankhead Highway West Birmingham.

Dr. R. C. Cunningham, pastor of St. Joseph where Freshman Rus-



ARLEE RUSSELL JR.

sell held membership, will deliver the eulogy. Morehouse College and Parker High School will be officially represented on the program.

Invocation by the Rev. Vernice Page, music by the St. Joseph Junior Choir; expressions by Mrs. Brunetta W. Mitchell and Charles E. Hopson, and music by Morehouse College, will round out the program.

At Parker High, Freshman Russell had established a brilliant record and was considered one of the most promising new enrollees at Morehouse College.

Close survivors include the parents, Mr. Arlee and Mrs. Eva Lee Russell; four brothers, Harold Russell, Joseph Lee Russell and Carl Douglas Russell; three sisters, Sandra Jean Russell, Marjorie Yvonne Russell and Carolyn Ann

Russell; two grand mothers, Mrs. Candies Russell of Birmingham and Mrs. Ethel Billingsley of Marion, Ala.

Interment will be in the Grace Hill Cemetery with Poole Funeral Home directing.

Miss Cora O. Fant, Veteran Tuskegee Employee, Dies

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.—Miss Cora O. Fant, an employee of Tuskegee Institute for 43 years, and one of the school's most ardent fundraisers, died Sunday in John A. Andrew Hospital.

A victim of cancer, Miss Fant entered the hospital July 29. Her condition rapidly worsened. After an eleven-day hospital stay, the veteran fundraiser succumbed.

In 1916, Miss Fant came to Tuskegee Institute to continue her schooling and began clerical chores in the offices of publicity for fundraising. She served under the last of the school's four presidents, beginning with Robert Russa Moton, a year after the death of Tuskegee Institute's Booker T. Washington.

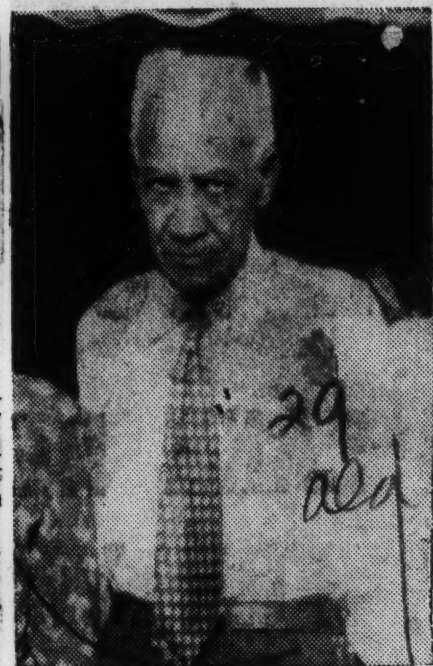
Miss Fant assisted in setting up the United Negro College Fund, working in the organization's Pittsburgh, Pa., campaign for six months. She was president of the Women's Missionary Society of Greenwood Baptist Church for the past three years.

Born in Union, S.C., Miss Fant was one of eleven children and is survived by one sister, Mrs. Josie Fant Smith, of Springfield, Ohio. She is also survived by a number of nieces and nephews, including William Woodia Tryce of Tuskegee.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, August 12, in the Greenwood Baptist Church, where the body will lie in state one hour prior to the funeral. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Impressive Rites Held For Rev. L. B. Bascomb

Funeral for the Rev. L. B. Bascomb, retired director of the Acip-



REV. L. B. BASCOMB

co Industrial YMCA, was held Sunday, July 19 at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church with the Rev. Luke Beard, pastor, officiating.

Eulogy by Pastor Beard, solos by Mrs. Connie T. Pegues and Mrs. Lillian Stone Moore, remarks by Norman S. Randall, music by the choir and acknowledgment of condolences by Mrs. Rosetta Clark Young, church clerk, rounded out the program.

The Rev. Lawton B. Bascomb, a native of Robertsville, South Carolina has been a resident of Birmingham since 1900 when he and his young wife the former Anne Louise Ravenhall came here to pastor the Miller Memorial Presbyterian Church. The present edifice was built under his pastorate. He was selected as an elector in the State of Alabama, July 19, 1902.

Rev. Bascomb received the Bachelor of Arts Degree, Cum Laude from Lincoln University, Chester County, Pennsylvania and was a graduate of Allegheny Theological Seminary, Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

His great love for humanity took him into the field of social work for the American Cast Iron Pipe Company. After serving as teacher, Bible Class organizer and Y. M. C. A. Secretary for twenty-seven years, he was retired from Acipco as a

pensioner in the fall of 1942. His life was an inspiration to many who have made successful and useful lives in Birmingham. To exemplify Rev. Bascomb's life — one of his former students quoted him as saying "Be like the sun — rise, shine, radiate light and power to all your surroundings, everyday."

He joined the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Dr. C. L. Fisher and was a faithful and useful member until recent years when his health did not permit his attendance.

Rev. Bascomb was stricken with an acute illness in May, 1959 and was hospitalized at the South Highlands Infirmary for five weeks. He departed this life early Wednesday morning July 15, 1959 at the Ruby Hill Nursing Home.

His life has been one of longevity, usefulness and devotion to his family. His widow, three sons — Emile, Wilbur and Paul; two daughters — Edith and Marguerite; a daughter-in-law Alma Mitchell Bascomb; two sons-in-law J. Lawrence Cook and Lankford L. Warren feel that their loss is heaven's gain. There are eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren and one niece who may be proud of their heritage.

The family wishes to publicly praise and acknowledge the efficient and loving care given to him at both of the above named institutions. They are also grateful to the medical staff of Acipco. The family extends thanks to everyone for their kindnesses and interest during Rev. Bascomb's illness and death.

Interment was in Shadow Lawn Cemetery with Davenport and Harris Funeral Home.

Out-of-town persons who attended the funeral included Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bascomb and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Cook of New York City and Mrs. Rosetta Hicks of Detroit, Mich.

Sudden Passing Of R. W. Braswell Mourned In City

News Tuesday morning of the sudden passing of Ralph Waldo Braswell at his home in Tuskegee brought sadness to many friends brought sadness to many friends in the city and throughout this well was a prominent merchant here, retiring a number of years ago after fire destroyed his dry goods establishment. He was stricken with a sudden attack and died at 6 a. m.

Born at Perote, Ala., on Aug. 7, 1880, Mr. Braswell moved with his family to Troy when a small child. He was married Dec. 30, 1908 to Miss Edith Mae Patterson, of Tuskegee, and soon after, established his mercantile business here. He was prominent in civic affairs and a devoted member of the Tuskegee Baptist Church.

The funeral held Wednesday afternoon, was conducted by Rev. W. O. Willham from the Braswell residence and burial was in Tuskegee Cemetery. Corbitt's Funeral Home was in charge and active pall-bearers were Joe Edwards, Hubert Taylor, L. D. Gregory, Conner Brown, O. L. Hodnett, Sanford P. Hearn, Leon Fillingim and Lewis Colley.

Serving as honorary pall bearers were Judge William Varner, Dr. Murray Smith, Dr. T. F. Taylor, Rivers Rush, Frank Conner, Sr., M. H. Conner, Henry Brown, P. M. Lightfoot, Richard Lightfoot, W. M. Russell Sr., R. M. Boyd, J. G. Thomas, Floyd Forman, Clifton Taylor and S. T. Sego Sr.

Besides the widow, Mr. Braswell is survived by two sons, Joe W. Braswell, Tuskegee, and Julian H. Braswell, Miami; three brothers, James L., Sr., Tuskegee, and Joe T. and W. Robert, of Troy; two sisters, Misses Kittye and Julia Braswell, Troy; eight grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

Judge Walton Dies At Home

LAFAYETTE, Ala. (AP)—Circuit Judge Will O. Walton died at his home here Thursday night following a long illness. He was 66.

Walton, judge of Alabama's 5th Circuit Court, had been stricken with lung cancer. He had been on the bench in Lafayette since 1946 and was elected to a six-year term in 1957.

The jurist had been active in Alabama politics for many years and had served in the Alabama House and Senate. He had worked as a weekly newspaper man.

Survivors include his wife of Lafayette, two sons, Will O. Walton Jr., solicitor in Chambers County, and J. Richard Walton of Houston, Tex.; a brother, C. L. Walton of Jemison, Ala.; two sisters, Miss Bennie Walton of Montgomery and Mrs. E. C. Sharp of Piedmont, Ala.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Lafayette First Methodist Church.

Veteran Skegee Employee Dies

TUSKEGEE (ANP)—Miss Cora G. Fant, one of the institute's most ardent workers, died last week following a long illness in a nearby hospital.

Miss Fant, who was graduated from the institute in 1904, came to Tuskegee in 1916 and began work in the office of publicity for fund raising.

Born in Union, S. C., Miss Fant, at the time of her death was a special gifts assistant in the school's institutional development program. She also worked to set up the United Negro College Fund here.

In serving Tuskegee, she worked under the last three of the school's four presidents, beginning with Dr. Robert R. Moton, a year after the death of Booker T. Washington, the school's founder.

Aged Tuskegee Employee Dies

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.—John H. Flake, an employee at Tuskegee Institute for 31 years, died of disease incident to old age Friday morning.

NEW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—One of the institute's oldest employees, Mr. Flake's services spanned the administration of the first three of the school's four presidents, beginning with the founder, Booker T. Washington.

WILLIAMS, Weldon Johnson—died in a local hospital Saturday afternoon. Funeral Tuesday 2:30 p.m. from Washington Chapel AME Church with the pastor Rev. I. H. Brown officiating. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery. Remains will lie in state at the church from 11 a.m. until funeral hour. Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Elvora Williams, Tuskegee Institute; two sons, Weldon R. Williams, member of faculty at Florida A.&M. University, Tallahassee, Fla., and Milton H. Williams, in Air Force at Orlando Air Force Base, Orlando, Fla.; Mrs. Barbara W. Jackson, member of faculty in Home Economics Dept., Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y. Williams was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 67 (Lewis Adams). The Peoples Funeral Home directing.

NICHOLAS, Mrs. Lena D., a resident of Centerville, Tex., died in a local hospital Friday morning. Funeral Sunday 3 p.m. from Greenwood Baptist Church with the pastor Rev. R. F. Harvey officiating. Remains will lie in state at the church from 1 p.m. until funeral hour. Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Laura N. Jones, Tuskegee Institute; a son-in-law, T. W. Jones, Tuskegee Institute. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery, the Peoples Funeral Home directing.

TUSKEGEE—FLAKE, John H., retired employee of Tuskegee Institute, died in a local hospital Friday morning. Funeral today, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m. from St. John AME Zion Church with the pastor Rev. C. C. Scott officiating. Interment in Ashdale Cemetery. Remains will lie in state at the church from 1 p.m. until funeral hour. Survivors are three sons, Andrew H. Flake, Tuskegee Institute; Ulysses Grant, Atlanta, Ga.; Robert Flake, Birmingham; three grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Zora Barnes, Kalamazoo, Mich., Mrs. K. B. Sellers, Detroit; one brother, Phillip Flake, Opelika. The Peoples Funeral Home directing.

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ALABAMA

DECEASED

MR. JOHN H. WASHINGTON

MR. JOHN H. WASHINGTON, NEPHEW OF
DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON, PASSED
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1959 JOHN A.
ANDREW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. FUNERAL,
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1959
(Episcopal Church)

MR. JOHN H. WASHINGTON, WAS SON
OF ME. J.H. WASHINGTON, BROTHER
OF DOCTOR WASHINGTON. (The Senior
Mr. J.H. Washington was Superintendent
Of Industries)

John Washington Dies At Age 73

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TUSKEGEE (AP) — John H. Washington Jr., 73, a nephew of the late Booker T. Washington, founder of Tuskegee Institute, died Friday after a long illness.

He had been under treatment for a lung infection at the John A. Andrews Memorial Hospital on the Tuskegee campus.

Washington was to have been honored at his 50th reunion with the Tuskegee Institute class of 1909 next week. *10-31-59*

Survivors include three sisters, Gertrude Washington, New York N.Y.; Mrs. Lalla Washington Lee Muskogee, Okla., and Mrs. Margaret Washington Barrington, Augusta, Ga.

Rites For Mrs. Powell, Noted Leader, Slated For Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Katherine Jackson Powell, veteran school teacher and civic leader, and sister of Birmingham World managing editor Emory O. Jackson and Atlanta Daily World sports editor Marion E. Jackson, were set for 12 noon this Saturday, January 17, at Sardis Baptist Church, 1240 North 4th Street, with Dr. R. L. Alford, pastor, officiating and delivering the eulogy.

Mrs. Powell, who was an instructor at the Roosevelt Junior High School at the time of her death, died early Monday morning, Jan. 12, in a local hospital, at which she was admitted December 17. She lived at 432 North 13th Avenue, Birmingham.

Body of Mrs. Powell will lie in state at Sardis Baptist Church from ten a. m. to noon Saturday, January 17, until funeral time at 12 noon.

Also at the time of her death, she was serving as chairman of the board of directors of the Enon Ridge Civic Day Nursery.

Graduate of Miles College, Mrs. Powell had attended Spelman College (Atlanta) and Alabama State College. She was a product of the Birmingham Public Schools.

She was a member of the Jefferson County Education Association, the Alabama State Teachers Association and the American Teachers Association.

Meantime, Mrs. Powell was a member of the Women's Auxiliary of the William B. Johnson Post 301, American Legion. She also held active membership in the Ladies Limited Club, Sojourner Truth Club, the Professional and Business Women's Club and the Enon Ridge Civic League.

The funeral program will include: hymn, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arm," choir; scripture reading, Rev. E. E. Winston; invocation,

Rev. B. G. King, pastor of First Baptist Church of Mountain Park; hymn, "Now The Day Is Over"; choir; remarks from representatives: Mrs. Mary Smith Nation, Jefferson County Teachers Association and Resolutions; Miss Elmore Frazier, Roosevelt Junior High

School; E. H. Fort, the Church, Community and Nursery; William Childress, solo, "He'll Understand"; eulogy by Dr. Alford, minister; Mrs. Frank Howard, solo, "I've Done My Work;" and the recessional.

Close survivors include a son, Calvin L. Morgan of St. Louis, Mo.; five brothers, Emory O. Jackson of Birmingham; Marion E. Jackson of Atlanta, Ga.; W. W. Jackson of Chicago; Bernard E. Jackson of Birmingham; Lovell J. Jackson of Detroit; one sister, Mrs. Ruby Jackson Gainer of Pensacola, Fla.; a grand-mother, Mrs. Vinia Terry Jones, of Birmingham; aunt, Mrs. Johnnie Mae Hill of Mount Vernon, New York; and a grand-son, Jarrell Morgan.

Interment will be in the Shadow Lawn Cemetery with Davenport and Harris Funeral Home directing.



MRS. KATHERINE J. POWELL

Citizens Honor Late Resident

By MRS. L. C. JILES

TROY — The United Citizens Club of Troy in evaluating outstanding contributions made by local citizens to the cause of uplifting fallen humanity, selected the late Mrs. F. M. Innis, who passed recently, as "Troy's outstanding Citizen of the Year."

Mrs. Innis, widow of the late Dr. S. B. Innis, died at the age of 93 and was buried just before Christmas. She, with Dr. Innis, came to Troy 53 years ago. During the long years of teaching service, 16 of them were as principal and four as assistant principal in local schools.

Her interest in humanity extended far beyond her health for during an extended illness she was among the first to donate \$100 to the United Citizens Club in a building fund campaign to erect a recreation center to serve the boys and girls of this local community.

She was an ardent contributor to the church and community welfare. Because of this, local clubs; Council Women of Troy, and Federated Clubs, bestowed on her the honorary honor of being "Club Mother."

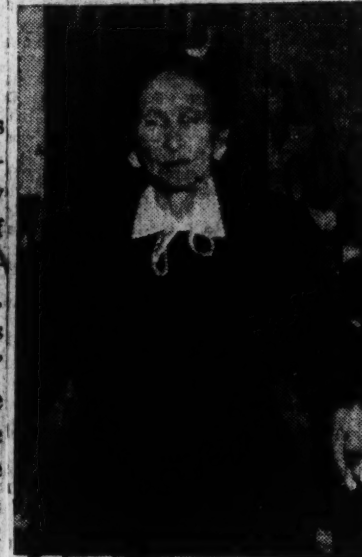
Among other tributes, the Alabama State Teachers Assn., Dr. J. G. Hardy, Executive Secretary, bestowed upon her along with others, a citation for outstanding service.

Though she had retired from active duty, she kept in touch with the activities of the association, civic and religious endeavors.

According to statement made by local citizen who knew Mrs. Innis of long standing: "She died at a good old age, exemplifying a worthy old citizen, full of years gathered while serving her people. Her faith was Episcopalian, having descended from Nashville, living at Birmingham a short while, then to Troy.

"The citizenry of Troy lost a great spirit when Mrs. Innis was

laid to rest."



MRS. INNIS

Citizens of Troy have paid tribute to the late Mrs. F. M. Innis, wife of the late Dr. S. B. Innis, residents of Troy more than 53 years.

Rites Saturday For Mrs. Powell

Funeral services for Mrs. Katherine J. Powell, teacher at the Roosevelt Junior High School and well-known civic and religious worker, will be held at 12 noon Saturday, at the Sardis Baptist Church with the Rev. A. L. Alford officiating.

Mrs. Powell died early Monday morning in a local hospital at which she had been confined since Dec. 17.

A graduate of Miles College, she had attended Spelman College and Alabama State College. She was a product of the Birmingham Public Schools.

She was chairman of the board of directors of the Enon Ridge Civic Day Nursery; a member of the Jefferson County Education Association, the Alabama State Teachers Association, the American Teachers Association, the Women's Auxiliary of the William B. Johnson Post 301 of the American Legion, a member of the Ladies Limited, Sojourner Truth, Professional and Business Women's Clubs and the Enon Ridge Civic League.

Survivors include a son, Calvin L. Morgan of St. Louis, Mo.; five brothers, Emory O. Jackson and Bernard Jackson of Birmingham; U. W. Jackson, Chicago, Ill.; Marion E. Jackson, Atlanta, Ga.; Lovell J. Jackson,

Detroit, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Ruby J. Gainer of Pensacola, Fla.; a grandmother, Mrs. Vina T. Jones, Birmingham, and a grand-son.

Burial will be in Shadow Lawn Cemetery with Davenport & Harris Funeral Home directing.



DIES — Mrs. Katherine Powell.

TUSKEGEE

SMITH, Mrs. Francis, P.O. Box 318, died in a local hospital Tuesday evening from an automobile accident. Funeral plans will be announced by McKenzie's Funeral Home. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Doris Perry, Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Annie Laura Padgett, Miss Franky Smith, Tuskegee; six grandchildren; mother, Mrs. Mary A. Hoffman; father, Samuel Hoffman, Tuskegee Institute; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Driscoll, East Tallahassee, Mrs. Maggie Mills, Mobile, Miss Rosa Hoffman, Miami, Fla., and other relatives.

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE

WILKINS, Nicholas Elliott, a retired employee at Tuskegee Institute, died in a local hospital Monday afternoon after a lingering illness. Funeral today at 2:30 p. m. from Washington Chapel A.M.E. Church with the pastor, the Rev. T. M. Brown officiating. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery. Survivors are one daughter, Miss Lillian E. Wilkins, Tuskegee Institute; a son, Nicholas Jr., Milwaukee, Wis.; one granddaughter and three great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Anna Jewell Pierce, New York City, N.Y. The Peoples Funeral Home directing.

Jackson Solomon Abrams, Dunbar Principal, Dies



JACKSON S. ABRAMS

Jackson Solomon Abrams, principal of Dunbar High School, succumbed around 9:10 a.m. Sunday morning, Feb. 1 in a Bessemer hospital where he had been confined for about eight days.

He was stricken Sunday afternoon, Jan. 23 and was rushed to Bessemer General Hospital. His condition never substantially improved, it was learned.

Mr. Abrams was named "Principal of the Year" by the Birmingham Grid Forecasters at their 1958 All-Sports Banquet. He attended a similar affair Jan. 15 where he gave remarks praising the Forecasters for their contribution to the promotion of school sports.

The Dunbar principal lived at 3744 Leavelle Ave. in the community of Ripley.

Funeral services for Mr. Abrams are set for 3 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 5 at First Baptist Church of Brighton, pastored by the Rev. C. Welch.

Mr. Abrams' body will lie in state at Dunbar High School from 1:30 to 2:30 p. m. Thursday afternoon. The funeral program will include representatives from the Bessemer Board of Education, the Bessemer Teachers Association, the Birmingham Grid Forecasters and Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Close survivors include his wife, Mrs. Laurella Abrams; a brother, John W. Abrams of Brighton, who is ill in the West End Baptist Hospital and a sister, Mrs. Betty Toliver of the Riley Community.

Interment will be in the Shadow Lawn Cemetery with Laura Chambers Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. K. J. Powell, Editor Jackson's Kin, Dies Monday

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (SNS)—Mrs. Katherine Jackson Powell, the sister of Emory O. Jackson, Managing Editor of the Birmingham World, died early Monday morning, Jan. 12 in a local hospital here.

She was a teacher in the Roosevelt Junior High School and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Enon Ridge Civic Day Nursery. Mrs. Powell is a member of Sardis Baptist Church pastored by the Rev. R. L. Alford.

Mrs. Powell had been ill for several weeks. She entered the hospital about three weeks ago. Her condition fluctuated widely. Seemingly slightly improved, her condition Sunday night worsened.

She attended Spelman College in Atlanta and graduated from

Miles College here.

Born in Buena Vista, Ga., Mrs. Powell came to Birmingham in 1919 when her parents moved to this city. She went through the Birmingham Public Schools.

She is survived by a son, Calvin L. Morgan of St. Louis; five brothers, Emory O. Jackson, Birmingham; William Weaver Jackson, Chicago; Marion E. Jackson, Atlanta; Bernard E. Jackson, Birmingham; Lovell J. Jackson, Detroit; one sister, Mrs. Ruby Jackson Gainer, Pensacola; a grandmother, Mrs. Vinda Jones, Birmingham; an aunt, Mrs. Johnnie Mae Hill, Mount Vernon, N. Y., and a grandson.

Funeral plans had not been made Monday.

Davenport and Harris Funeral Home is in charge of the body.

Impressive Rites Held For Late L. R. Hall Here

Funeral for L. R. (Dick) Hall was held at 3 p. m. Thursday, Jan. 29 at the First Congregational Christian Church with the Rev. Harold D. Long, pastor, officiating.



L. R. HALL

Mr. Hall, who died around 11:45 Monday morning, Jan. 26 was vice-president and general manager of Smith and Gaston Interest. He was secretary of the Board of management of the 18th Street Branch YMCA, treasurer of the Birmingham Health and Negro Tuberculosis Association, secretary of the Birmingham T. Madega Club, chairman of the board of deacons at First Congregational Christian

Church where he taught the Teen-Age Class in Sunday School. He lived at 6433 First Ave. So.

Mr. Hall served in various levels of responsibility at Smith and Gaston Interest, beginning about 1934. He rose from debit builder on the Birmingham District of the Booker T. Washington Insurance Company to agency director when the company's home office was in Fairfield, moving up to general manager and secretary, and finally to vice-president and general manager. His services cover a span of about a quarter of a century.

Born in Alexander City, Ala., Mr. Hall was a graduate of Talladega College. He was a charter member of the Birmingham graduate chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Close survivors include the wife, Mrs. Elmira Moore Hall; two brothers, Chester Hall of Leeds, Ala., and John Hall of Columbus, Ohio. Interment was in the Grace Hill

Chester Johnson, Alabama State Staffer Succumbs

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Chester A. Johnson, associate supervisor of the dining hall at Alabama State College and a member of the staff for 33 years, passed on March 5 after an illness of eight days. A native of Snow Hill, Alabama, he was a graduate of Snow Hill Institute and for six years was band director and commander at that institution. His college training was at Hampton Institute and at Tuskegee Institute.

In 1926 he joined the staff of Alabama State College as a teacher of junior high school science in the campus laboratory school, and has been associated with the college since that time.

Funeral services were held from the St. John A.M.E. Church on Sunday, March 8, with the pastor, the Rev. R. W. Hilson officiating, and Lee's Funeral Service directing.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Zenobia Maye Johnson; two sons, Dr. Chester A. Johnson, Jr., of New Orleans and Lawrence Johnson, of Montgomery; two brothers, Lawrence Johnson, of Marion, Alabama and I. E. Johnson and H. H. Johnson, both of Laurinburg, North Carolina.

Funeral Held For Mrs. L. V. Brewster

Funeral for Mrs. Lottie V. Brewster, teacher at Keokuk Junior High School, was held Wednesday afternoon, April 29 at Mount Vernon Methodist Church with the Rev. R. N. Reeves, pastor, officiating.

She expired Saturday, April 25. Mrs. Brewster was the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Richard H. Lee.

She graduated from Lincoln Normal School, Marion, Alabama and furthered her education attending Tuskegee Institute and Alabama State College.

Mrs. Brewster had her first teaching experience while quite young, substituting for her father

Rev. Cox who was a Methodist minister and teacher. She received her first appointment from the Jefferson County Board of Education to teach in Village Springs, Alabama.

Mrs. Brewster's professional career of 47 years as principal and teacher has been with the Jefferson County Public Schools, serving the Village Springs community. She lived a life of devotion and sacrifice for others. Her first marriage to Robert M. Vann with whom she lived until his death and later married Ed Brewster. She was a foster mother to three of her nieces.

Mrs. Brewster was a faithful Christian worker in the Hopewell Methodist Church, served as teacher, secretary over the Methodist District Conference, and everywhere in her community. She knew the true meaning of friendship and never counted the cost of loyalty.



MRS. LOTTIE V. BREWSTER

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ARKANSAS

Business Woman Dies Suddenly



Miss Sara E. Hubble prominent business woman passed suddenly Sunday morning at her home at 215 Hazel street North Little Rock. She had been a victim of a cardiac ailment for sometime, but apparently was feeling well a few hours prior to her passing. She was president of Hubble Funeral home and the Campobello Life Insurance company, one of the oldest in the state.

Miss Hubble, known to most of her friends as "Sara" was a friend to mankind. The community could always depend on her to support any worthwhile cause. She was a member of St. Andrews Catholic Church, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, and numerous other civic organizations.

Survivors include a brother, H. H. Hubble of Chicago; two sisters, Miss Mary Hubble and Mrs. Laura Jones; and five cousins. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

Last rites today for Dr. Taylor

Funeral services for Dr. J. Phylomn Taylor, prominent physician and surgeon whose death Sunday night shocked the community, will be held Friday at one o'clock from Holman Methodist church.

Dr. Taylor suffered a heart attack and died at his home, at 1704 Wellington Road, at 11 o'clock Sunday night. He was 59 years old.

A native of New Orleans, La., Dr. Taylor had lived in Los Angeles since 1942. He rapidly forced to the front in professional and business circles, and built the first of the clinic-type professional buildings in the local community, the Taylor Medical building, at 3112 S. Western, where he attracted many of the new specialists who came to Los Angeles.

He had taken his pre-medical work at the University of Southern California and was graduated from Meharry Medical college.

FATHER OF THREE

He and his wife, the former Pearl Spears, of New Orleans, had been married 33 years. He had three grown children, Miss Gloria Jean Taylor and a son, Phylomn Taylor, Jr., and Mrs. Gwendolyn Taylor Jackson, and one granddaughter, Leslie Lynn. He is also survived by a brother, who is a doctor, Dr. Thaddeus Taylor, of New Orleans, and two sisters, Mrs. Lottie Lee, of Memphis, and Mrs. Viola Willoughby, of New York.

Possessor of a fine voice, Dr. Taylor was, in addition to medicine, greatly interested in music.

He also took considerable interest in the business development of the community and was on the board and was treasurer of Broadway Federal Savings and Loan association.

He was on the staff of Temple and University hospitals and a member of the Los Angeles County Medical association. He was a trustee of Holman, whose pastor, the Rev. L. L. White, will officiate at his rites, and he was a life member of the NAACP, a member of the Urban League, the Pacific Town club, and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

Angelus funeral Home has charge of the rites.

Death Claims Writer Of Southern Stories

LOS ANGELES — (UPI) — Octavus Roy Cohen, 67, one of the nation's most popular Magazine fiction writers, died this week at the University of California Medical center here.

He was admitted to the hospital last Saturday after fracturing his leg and hip in a fall at his home in nearby Brentwood.

A hospital spokesman said the cause of death was undetermined as yet but apparently was due to a stroke and shock suffered in the fall.

Cohen, a native of Charleston, S. C., wrote about 30 novels but was perhaps best known for his humorous Magazine Tales of Negroes.

His famous characters included Florian Slappey and Epic Peters, the Philosophic Pullman Porter.

Born on June 26, 1891, the son of Octavus and Rebecca Cohen, he was graduated at the age of 17 from Porter Military Academy in Charleston.

He received a bachelor of Science Degree from Clemson College in 1911.

In 1927, he received an honorary doctor of Literature degree from Birmingham Southern College for his services to the Literature of the south.

Cohen worked as a newspaperman after his graduation from Clemson. He held jobs on the Charleston, S. C., News and Courier; the Bayonne, N. J., Times and The Newark, N. J. Morning Star.

Admitted to the South Carolina bar in 1913, he practiced law for two years.

In 1914, he married Inez Lopez, of Bessemer, Ala. Also a writer; she died six years ago. They had one child, Octavus Roy Cohen Jr.

Hold Burial For Mme. Sul-Te-Wan

LOS ANGELES. — Funeral services for Madame Sul-te-Wan, veteran Hollywood actress, were held at Valhalla Memorial Park chapel, in Los Angeles, last Friday, February 6.

Widely known as the first Negro to break through the racial discrimination barriers in filmdom, Madame Sul-te-Wan, who in private life was Mrs. Nelly Conley, died Sunday, February 1, at 11 p.m. at the Motion Picture home in Calabasas where she had been confined for several weeks after suffering a stroke. Immediate survivors, according to reliable sources, include Dorothy Dandridge, famed motion picture beauty who is allegedly her granddaughter.

Born March 7, 1876, Madame Sul-te-Wan was a native of Louisville, Ky., and the daughter of Silas Crawford Wan, a traveling Hindu preacher, and a professional singer, Cleo de Londa.

Madame Sul-te-Wan came to Los Angeles in 1910, determined to carry on her acting career. A long-awaited meeting with producer D. W. Griffith finally landed her a role in "The Clansman," which was her first picture. She made many more thereafter, including "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Hums of Love," "Ladies of the Big House" and the unforgettable "Birth of a Nation."

Working at her chosen profession almost until the time she was stricken, the venerable trooper had roles in De Mille's "Buccaneer," and currently appearing across the country, and in Sam Goldwyn's "Porgy and Bess," not yet released.

Dr. J. P. Taylor

LOS ANGELES — Funeral services for Dr. J. Phylomn Taylor, 59, prominent local physician, were held here at Holman Methodist Church with the Rev. L. L. White officiating. Dr. Taylor was born in New Orleans, La., March 20, 1899. He came to Los Angeles in 1942, where he took his pre-medical work at USC. He was on the board of trustees of Holman Methodist Church, a life member of the NAACP and a member of the Urban League, the Meharry Alumni Club, the Pacific Town Club, Kappa Alpha Phi Fraternity and a board member and treasurer of Broadway Federal Savings and Loan Association. His death, which occurred at his home at 1704 Wellington Rd., was attributed to a heart attack. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Pearl Spears Taylor; two daughters, Mrs. Gwendolyn Taylor Jackson and Gloria Jean Taylor, and a son, Phylomn Taylor Jr.; a grandchild, Leslie Lynn Jackson; two sisters, Mrs. Lottie Lee of Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Viola Willoughby of New York City, and a brother, Dr. Thaddeus Taylor of New Orleans.

Author Of Negro Stories Passes

LOS ANGELES — (ANP) — Octavus Roy Cohen, a white man, who won fame as a writer of Negro stories died last Tuesday following a stroke.

Although he had been retired in recent years, Cohen won fame with a series of stories about "Florian Slappey" and other Negro characters, which appeared in The Saturday Evening Post. He once scripted the "Amos 'n Andy" radio show.

FAMED PAINTER DEAD IN LA.

LOS ANGELES (ANP) — Memorial services were held at Unity center recently for Miss Thelma Johnson Street, noted painter-dancer who thrived audiences from Hawaii to Paris and whose artistic efforts won for her a place in the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art.

Miss Street, in private life Mrs. John Sagar, died last May 21 following a heart attack. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson, Portland, Ore., she was 47 years old.

For the past 10 years, she and her husband were engaged in operating a "children's city" in Hawaii, where they made their home. The work carried out the painter-dancer's ideas on visual education of children.

Born in Yakima, Wash., she spent her early childhood in and around Pendleton, Ore., where she became fascinated with Indian life.

She attended high school in Portland, and received her early art training at the Portland Museum school.

Her dancing, which gathered rave reviews from critics around the world, was as she was wont always to describe it, "a by-product of my painting, my first love." Many felt she expressed with movement what she attempted to create with the brush.

The great Mexican artist, Diego Rivera, praised her art, as did Dwight Morrow, Jr., Katherine Dunham, a noted outstanding danseuse on the entertainment White Way; Paulette Goddard, Vincent Price and the late Fania Brice.

Bishop Wright's Wife Dies in Los Angeles

Fri. 5-29-59
LOS ANGELES, Calif., May 22

Mrs. Charlotte Croghan Wright, 79, wife of Bishop Richard R. Wright, Presiding Bishop of 5th Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, embracing states west of the Rocky Mountains, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, died at a Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, Thursday, May 21, 7:10 p. m., where she had been a patient for two weeks.

Daughter of the late Dr. William H. Croghan, former President of Clark University and founder of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Levia Mott Croghan; born September 19, 1879, Atlanta, Ga. Graduate of Clark University and University of Chicago. Former teacher, Haines Institute, Augusta, Ga., and Clark University. Married Rev. R. R. Wright, Sept. 8, 1902 in Atlanta.

She travelled over 100,000 miles in Africa with her husband, (1936-1940) doing much to establish and enlarge the missionary work of the denomination, later writing book, "Beneath The Southern Cross," which told the story of her travels. She was co-editor of The Poems of Phyllis Wheatley, and the Encyclopedia of African Methodism published in 1947. She was a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Mrs. Wright is survived by her husband, Bishop R. R. Wright; four children: Dr. Ruth Hayre, principal William Penn High School, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Grace Kyle, wife of Presiding Elder Dwight Vincent Kyle, Los Angeles; Mr. R. R. Wright, III, president of Beneficial Savings and Loan Association, Oakland, Calif.; and Mrs. Alberta McClain, of Philadelphia. Two sisters, Mrs. Adeline Franklin, owner-publisher of the Kansas City Call, newspaper and Mrs. Edith Brooks, widow of the late Bishop R. N. Brooks, of the Methodist Church. One brother,

er, William H. Croghan of Chicago, Ill.

Funeral services, Monday, May 25, 1 p. m. at First A. M. E. Church, 211 and Thomas Los Angeles.

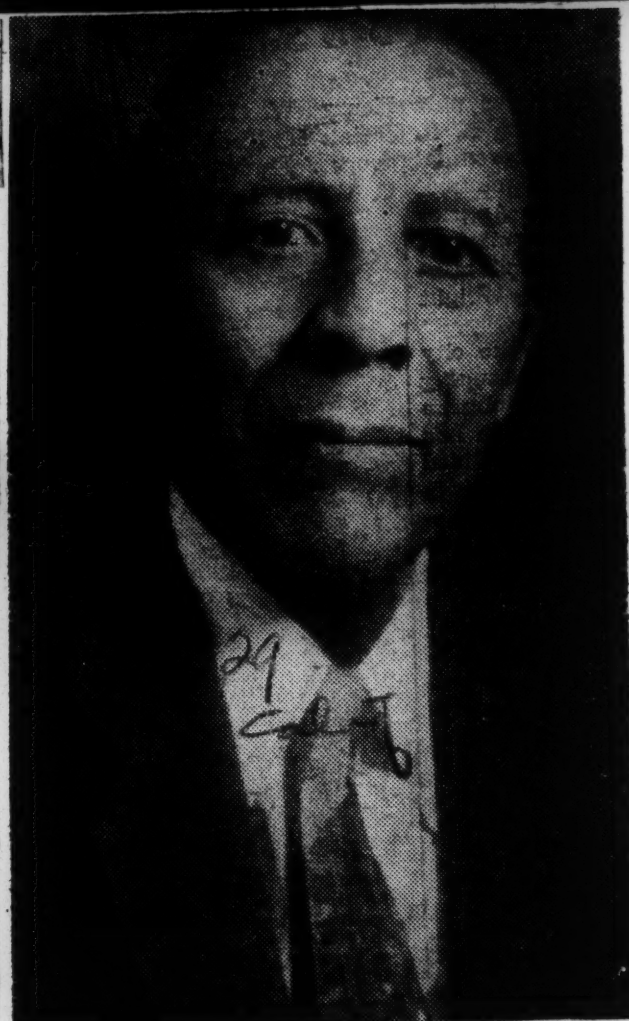
Death takes Lt. Thomas E. Green

Funeral services were held Monday for First Lt. Thomas E. Green, a Spanish American war veteran and one of Los Angeles pioneer citizens, who died April 16 at Sawtelle Veterans hospital. Lt. Green was born October 21, 1877 in Charlotte county, Virginia. He was 82. Interred with full military honors at the Sawtelle Veterans Administration chapel, Lt. Green had served in the Philippine Islands under General Lawton and was a bandmaster with the 24th infantry where his band was cited as outstanding. Later, he was detailed to Officers' Candidate school at Ft. Des Moines, Iowa and was commissioned a first lieutenant in 1917. He retired from military service in 1922 to accept the position of bandmaster at Kansas Vocational college, Topeka, Kansas, but a year later, he moved his family to Los Angeles.

For 17 years, he worked for the United States postal service, retiring in 1940. Later, he became an agent for the Golden State Insurance Co., from which he also retired.

An officer and member of Lincoln Memorial Congregational church, he also served as solo clarinetist with the Metropolitan band No. 1, Elks Lodge No. 86 band, and the Los Angeles Letter Carriers band. He also held membership in the Pacific Town club, the American Legion, Elks Lodge No. 86, the Retired Men's club. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Helen Green, whom he married in 1945 after both were widowed.

Honorary pallbearers at Monday's rites were: Edward Atkinson, Sr., Warren Boswell, Sr., Carl Burton, James Hardon, Lee Hicks, Lt. Leslie King, Millard Lacy, Arthur J. Maloney, F. E. Miller, Sgt. Owsley, J. Rufus Portwig, Thomas M. Reid, Dr. John A. Somerville, Alvin Watkins, Sr., and Sgt. Alfred Williams. Active pallbearers were a military escort from the Veterans Administration.



M. Johnson, Red Fighter, FBI Agent

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., July 25 (AP) — A sparsely attended military funeral yesterday ended the career of Manning Johnson, Negro leader, onetime Communist organizer who later became an FBI undercover agent.

Mr. Johnson, 51, died July 2 of a heart ailment. But a spokesman for Mr. Johnson said the mortuary which conducted the burial said interment was delayed because consent was needed from his wife, Mae Johnson of New York City.

Mr. Johnson testified in numerous un-American Activities Committee hearings and state anti-Communist legislative sessions in Washington, D.C. He was a key witness in the 1949 perjury trial of Harry

Bridges, president of the International Longshoremen-Warehousemen's Union, accused of lying at his 1945 naturalization hearing.

Mr. Johnson, a native of Washington, D. C., joined the Communist Party in the 1930s. He became a Party organizer in Buffalo, but later expressed disillusionment with the Party's methods and goals.

He tried to quit the Party but was persuaded to remain a member by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which used him as an undercover agent. He finally broke with the Party during World War II and joined the Navy.

Shortly after his discharge, Mr. Johnson was hired by the Department of Justice as an "expert witness and researcher."

He had lived in relative obscurity in recent years, working as a lecturer and researcher for conservative magazines.

Mr. Johnson was an outspoken foe of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He declared over-ardent Negro integrationists were hurting their own cause.



Mrs. R. R. Wright, Jr., Dies In California

Mrs. Charlotte Crogman Wright, wife of A.M.E. Church Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., died Thursday night in a Los Angeles, California, hospital, following a short confinement, the Daily World learned Friday night.

Mrs. Wright, a native of Atlanta, and a member of one of the city's oldest and most famous families, had accompanied her husband to Los Angeles after he took over the helm of the A.M.E. church's 5th Episcopal District, comprising states west of the Rock Mountains.

Details of Mrs. Wright's death were scanty but it was disclosed that the funeral will be held Monday at 1 p. m., in the First A.M.E. Church, at Eighth and Townes Streets in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Wright, daughter of Dr. William H. and Mrs. Lavina (Mott) Crogman, was born September 16, 1879 in Atlanta.

She received an A. B. degree from Clark University in 1900. She also received an A. M. degree from Clark, and later studied at the University of Chicago.

Mrs. Wright then taught at Haines Institute, Augusta, and at Clark University.

On September 3, 1909 she married the Rev. R. R. Wright, Jr., in Atlanta. She bore four children and later travelled extensively with her husband as he went abroad about his duties with the church, going more than 100,000 miles.

During the trips she travelled in South Africa, from Cape Town to Lourenço Marques, and Belgium Congo from 1936 to 1940. She served as Supervisor of Missions in the Church's 5th Episcopal District, and in portions of the First District.

Mrs. Wright aided her husband as assistant editor of the Christian Recorder. She contributed to the Voice of Missions, the Women's Missionary Recorder, Ivy Leaf, Opportunity, and others. She also wrote a book.

During her busy life, Mrs. Wright served as co-editor of the Poems of Phyllis Wheatley, and the Encyclopedia of African Methodism. She was a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Mrs. Wright lived in Atlanta during the period when her husband was presiding Bishop of the 5th Episcopal District. News of her death reportedly has been received by several of her many friends and telephone.

CALIFORNIA

sides in Los Angeles. Her husband Dr. Dwight W. Kyles is a presiding elder in that Conference.

When the illness became complicated several weeks ago hospitalization was necessary, and Mrs. Wright weakened, swiftly. Mrs. Alberta McClain, another daughter, secretary to the bishop, had remained at the Philadelphia residence.

She flew to Los Angeles, Saturday, May 15, to see her mother. Another daughter, Dr. Ruth Hayre, of Broomal, Pa., is principal of William Penn High School, Philadelphia.

Funeral services for Mrs. Wright were held Monday at 1 p. m., in the First A.M.E. Church, 8th and Towne Sts., Los Angeles, where the Rev. J. D. Howell is pastor.

Messages of condolence poured in to the family from all sections of the A.M.E. connection.

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FLOWERS AND OTHER expressions of condolence were dispatched from the First Episcopal District by Bishop George W. Baber, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Elvira Baber, wife of the bishop, and supervisor of the Woman's Missionary Society, First District, led women of this area in sending expressions of sympathy.

Another of Mrs. Wright's children is Richard R. Wright, 3rd also of Los Angeles.

Painter-Dancer Buried

LOS ANGELES—Funeral services were held at Union Center for Miss Melina Johnson Street, in private life Mrs. John Edgar, noted painter-dancer who thrilled audiences from Hawaii to Paris and whose artistic efforts won for her a place in the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art.

Wife of
A.M.E. Bishop
Wright dies

PHILADELPHIA

Mrs. Charlotte Crogman Wright, wife of A.M.E. Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., of Los Angeles, and Philadelphia, died Thursday, May 21.

Death occurred in Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, where the well-known missionary leader, and author had been a patient for several weeks.

A diabetic, Mrs. Wright's ailment became complicated, and she is reported to have suffered a slight stroke, causing death.

MRS. WRIGHT and her husband maintained their home at 554 N. 58th St., Philadelphia.

In addition to home districts, the bishop has served in West and South Africa, South America, and the West Indies. Mrs. Wright supervised missionary work in each district.

Upon his assignment several months ago to the 5th Episcopal District, comprising California, and the Far West, Mrs. Wright joined her husband at district headquarters, in Los Angeles.

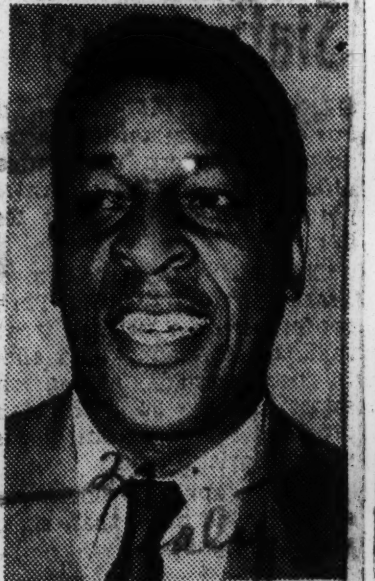
She had been under special care of Mrs. Grace Kyles, one of her three daughters who re-

Manning Johnson Dead; Led Turbulent Life

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., July 25 (AP).—In his 51 turbulent years, Manning Johnson had been:

A Communist, an undercover agent for the FBI, a Navy enlisted man, a Justice Department consultant and a militant foe of some Negro integrationists. Although he himself was a Negro.

Although his name once was in headlines because of his testimony in the Harry Bridges and Gerhart Eisler trials, only a few people attended his military funeral yesterday.



MANNING JOHNSON

—AP Photo

Mr. Johnson died July 2 of a heart ailment in a Lake Arrowhead, Calif., hospital.

A spokesman for the mortuary which conducted the burial said the funeral was delayed because approval—and money—was needed from his wife, Mrs. Mae Johnson of New York. His wife did not attend the rites.

Native of District

Mr. Johnson, a native of Washington, D. C., joined the Communist Party in the 1930s, attracted by the Reds' clamor for equal rights for Negroes.

Disillusioned with communism's methods and goals, he tried to quit, but was persuaded to remain by the FBI, which used him as an under-

cover agent. He officially broke with the party and joined the Navy during World War II.

After his discharge, he was hired as an expert witness and researcher by the Justice Department.

Mr. Johnson testified in the 1949 Harry Bridges trial. The president of the International Longshoremen Warehousemen's Union, accused of lying at his 1945 naturalization hearing, was acquitted.

Mr. Johnson also testified in the 1947 passport fraud trial of Communist spy Gerhart Eisler, who later jumped bail and fled to East Germany.

Mr. Johnson left the Justice Department about five years ago after a Supreme Court decision complained his testimony was "tainted"—implying he had a conflict of interest because of his paid status with the department.

Worked as Lecturer

In recent years, he worked as a lecturer and researcher for conservative magazines.

He published a book, "Color, Communism and Common Sense," a year ago. It decried efforts of some Negroes for total assimilation with whites, urging that the colored race strive for a dignified status separate from that of the white race.

He contended: "I'd rather be a first class Negro than a third class imitation of a white man."

Church officials pay final respects

WASHINGTON

An interracial crowd of approximately 350 mourners viewed the body of L. Ernest Wilkins, former Assistant Secretary of Labor Wednesday at Foundry Methodist Church, 1500 16th St., N.W.

Foundry Methodist was one of three Methodist churches with all-white congregations which offered their facilities to the family of Mr. Wilkins.

THE GOVERNMENT official was a member of the Judicial Council (the "Supreme Court") of the Methodist Church, the first member of the majority group to be elected to the body.

Funeral services were held Friday last at 11 a.m. for Mr. Wilkins at St. Mark Methodist Church, 56th and Wabash Sts., in Chicago, Ill.

THE BODY lay in state at Foundry Methodist from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday. Visitors included Bishop and Mrs. L. Bromley Oxnam, Dr. Samuel Bullock, Mrs. Todd Duncan, Aubrey E. Robinson Jr., Thomas Parks, George P. Delany, Lt. Lawrence A. Oxley, Victor R. Daly, Col. and Mrs. Campbell C. Johnson.

Among Government officials who paid their respects were George C. Lodge, who replaced Mr. Wilkins last year as assistant Secretary of Labor after Mr. Wilkins' resignation; James T. O'Connell, Under Secretary of Labor and Mrs. O'Connell, Mrs. Alice Leopold, head of the Women's Bureau; C. Archibald Carey, and Frank B. Johnson, President's Committee on Government Contracts.

FRIENDS OF the family who acted as aides at the church included James Scott, real estate broker, and Mrs. Wallace N. Streeter.

There were few flowers at the church, the family having requested that those wishing to, should send wreaths to Chicago where the final rites were held.

Among messages of condolence received by the survivors were personal letters written by President and Mrs. Dwight Eisenhower.

IN ADDITION to his widow, Mrs. Lucile Wilkins, Mr. Wilkins is survived by three sons, J. Ernest Jr., a physicist with Nuclear Development Associates, who lives in White Plains, N.Y.; Julian, an attorney and John, general counsel for the International Corporation Administration.

Mr. Wilkins, at the time of his death, was a member of the Civil Rights Commission which is investigating disfranchisement of colored persons in Alabama.

A staunch Republican, he was found dead at his home at 4708 Blagden Terr., N.W. Monday. He had been under treatment at Walter Reed Hospital for hypertension and heart disease. He was 65 years old.

Local arrangements were handled by Frazier's Funeral Home.

Bryson H. Chase

Bryson H. Chase, a retired Internal Revenue Service employee of 34 years service, died on Monday at Mount Vernon Veterans Hospital after a month's illness.



Mr. Chase

Mr. Chase was a native Washingtonian and a veteran of World War I. He held a law degree from Howard University. He is survived by his wife, Thelma Chase, of their home at 1054 42d ave. ne.; a sister, Valerie E. Chase, and a brother, Eugene A., both of Washington.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at Ft. Myer Chapel, with burial in Arlington Cemetery.



FAMILY GRIEVES — Mrs. J. Ernest Wilkins, wife of the former Assistant Secretary of Labor, is shown receiving condolences from Frank B. Johnson, (left), a member of the President's Committee on Government Contracts after viewing her husband's body at Foundry Methodist Church Wednesday in Washington. Others are Mr. Wilkins' sons, J. Ernest Jr., (shoulder showing) and Julian. At left is Mrs. Wilkins' sister.

Pastor Acty Dead; Had Pulpit Here

The Rev. William M. Acty, 65, former pastor of the First Church of Christ (Holiness) here, died of a kidney ailment Tuesday at Georgetown University Hospital. He lived at 5716 Colorado ave. nw.

Mr. Acty, a native of Madison County, Va., came here in 1914 and in addition to his church work, served as waiter-captain at the National Press Club from 1936 to 1942 and recently held the same post at the Army and Navy Club.

Mr. Acty was pastor of the First Church, 1310 4th st. sw. for six years. Later, he was district chairman for the Eastern Diocese and, from 1944 to 1949, he was pastor of churches in New York City and Omaha, Neb. In 1955 and 1956, he served as a minister in Montgomery, Ala.

For the past five years, he traveled every Sunday to New York where he was pastor of the First Church there. Mr. Acty had also toured the country as an evangelist for his denomination.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma D. Acty; a daughter, Thelma W., of Washington; a son, Cliby Acty of Jamaica, N. Y.; two sisters, Sadie Holmes, of Washington, and Alverta Lewis, of Reva, Va.; and five brothers, Melvin K., Fred, Stratman and Twyman, all of Washington, and Robert, of Reva.

A funeral service will be held at noon Saturday at the First Church of Christ (Holiness), with burial in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Final Rites For Harry Walker, Sociologist

WASHINGTON. — (ANP) — Funeral services were held last Wednesday at St. George's Episcopal Church for Dr. Harry J. Walker, associate professor of sociology, Howard university.

Dr. Walker, 54, earned the reputation as a trouble shooter on the race problem, appearing in many desegregation trouble spots around the country sharing his experiences and lending his findings on the controversial racial question.

He testified in the Alexandria federal court on the Arlington school desegregation case last fall, assuring officials that integration could be accomplished in that area as well as in the District of Columbia.

Four years ago, he devoted a year to research at American university on the adjustment to desegregation in Washington public schools. He made another study which uncovered adverse effects on Urban renewal on minority group housing in six Eastern cities.

His testimony on segregated swimming pools in Washington helped the Interior department to decide to desegregate in 1950.

His advice on employment rights helped pave the way for hiring of Negroes by the Capitol Transit company in 1954. The Southern Regional council, Atlanta, found him a valuable consultant in desegregation trouble areas.

Dr. Walker was a native of Muncie, Pa. He served on the Howard university faculty from 1933-42 and again from 1948 until his death on May 23. In the interim he earned a doctorate at the University of Chicago.

He served as president of the D. C. chapter, American Sociological society, and wrote a pamphlet on "The Negro In American Life."

He is survived by his widow LaVergne, and a son, Harry I. Jr.



Mr. Acty

Clarence O. Lewis, Sr., 76 48 Years in D. C. Schools

Clarence O. Lewis, sr., who spent 48 years as a teacher and official in District public schools, died Sunday at his home, 1924 Fifteenth street N.W.

Mr. Lewis, 76, retired in 1952 after serving as director of evening and summer schools for three divisions of the school system. He started as a teacher in 1904 at the Payne School following graduation from Howard University. He also had done graduate work at Columbia, Fisk and Harvard Universities.

After teaching 12 years in elementary schools, Mr. Lewis was given a leave of absence to teach mathematics at Howard. Three years later he was appointed to teach mathematics at Dunbar High School, where he remained for 11 years.

Mr. Lewis was appointed director of evening and summer schools in 1930 a position he held until his retirement. He was a member of the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church for more than 50 years, and was superintendent of the Sunday school, teacher, trustee and elder of the church. He was a charter member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and of the School Club of Washington.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Resa P. Lewis of the home address; a son, Dr. Clarence O. Lewis, jr., 5018 Sixteenth street N.W.; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth L. Dixon, 1613 Allison street N.W., and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. today at the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.



CLARENCE O. LEWIS, Sr.

Clarence O. Lewis

Clarence O. Lewis Sr., a graduate of Washington schools who went on to teach in the District and then became director of Evening and Summer Schools for the Negro divisions, died Sunday at his home, 1924 15th st. nw.

The 76-year-old native Washingtonian retired in 1952 after 48 years as director of schools for 26



Mr. Lewis

Elizabeth M. Tibbs, 37; Former Librarian Here

Elizabeth M. Tibbs, 37, a former librarian at the D. C. Public Library, died of cancer Sunday at the George Washington University Hospital.

Mrs. Tibbs, a native of St. Paul, Minn., had lived in Washington at 1910 Vermont ave. nw. since her marriage in 1950. Her husband, Thurlow E. Tibbs, is an attorney.



Mrs. Tibbs

After receiving a library science degree from the University of Minnesota, Mrs. Tibbs worked in the libraries there and later at Columbia University. She was a librarian at the Central Public Library and was active in the Central Northwest Citizens' Association.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Thurlow E. Jr., and a daughter, Diane Elizabeth, of the home address; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis P. Moore, of St. Paul, and two brothers, Charles Moore, of Washington, and Louis Moore, of St. Paul.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 723 23d st. nw., with burial in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Ralph J. G. Barbour

Ralph J. G. Barbour, director of Barbour's Funeral Home in Washington for more than 30 years, died of a stroke on Friday at Freedmen's Hospital. He was 58.

The funeral home is located at 48 K st. ne.

A native Washingtonian, Mr. Barbour was a World War I veteran and a former employee of the Government Printing Office where he served on the Board of the group life insurance association.

During his more than 50-year membership in the Third



Mr. Barbour

survived by his wife, the former

Baptist Church, he taught Sunday School and coached its baseball team. He was a past master of the Warren Masonic Lodge and held other offices as a Shriner and 33d degree Mason. He also belonged to the Elks and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Isabella Barbour, of the home address, 48 K st. ne., a daughter, Estrela Henderson, a sister, Landonia Brooks, and four brothers, Delaware, William and Calvin, all of Washington, and Rufus, of Atlantic City, N. J.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Third Baptist Church, 1546 5th st. nw., with burial in Arlington Cemetery.

Dr. H. J. Walker Professor, Desegregation Consultant

Dr. Harry J. Walker, 44, an associate professor of sociology at Howard University, died Saturday of a heart ailment in Freedmen's Hospital.

Dr. Walker was a consultant to the Department of Interior in 1950 when a study was made toward elimination of racial discrimination in public swimming pools that came under the department's park jurisdiction here. He also acted as a consultant to the city of Baltimore in planning for public school desegregation there in 1954.

A member of the Howard faculty as early as 1939, when he was a sociology instructor, Dr. Walker left to earn his doctorate degree in 1945 and returned as an associate professor in 1948.

He took his undergraduate study at Ohio's Oberlin College and earned his master's degree at Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn., in 1936. He taught at Fisk from 1932 to 1937. He received his doctorate at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Walker was director of community relations for the Chicago Southside Planning Board in 1945 and 1946, and he was a lecturer in sociology at Roosevelt College in Chicago the following year.

A native of Muncie, Pa., he is survived by his wife, the former

Minnie L. Wright

Minnie Lucas Wright, 83, a former employee of the District Government, and a lifelong resident of Washington died Wednesday at her home, 124 S st. nw., after a long illness.

Mrs. Wright was employed by the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for approximately 30 years. She retired about



Mrs. Wright

30 years ago. She was a charter member and member of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church, 6th st. and Florida ave. nw.

Mrs. Wright is survived by her husband, David C., and her sister, Mrs. Louise Hawkins of the home address. Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at the Florida Avenue Baptist Church, with burial in Columbia Harmony Cemetery.

Made Nat'l History When Named to Cabinet Post, Methodist Judicial Council

Washington, D. C.—J. Ernest Wilkins, 64, one of America's most distinguished public servants and Negro leaders was found dead in his home Monday. Death was attributed to a heart attack. His body was discovered by a maid. Medical sources said he had been under treatment for a heart ailment.

Upon learning of Wilkins' death President Eisenhower, said he was a gifted and dedicated public servant. He contributed much to the public welfare of our country.

A former practicing attorney, Wilkins made two national firsts as a Negro in his lifetime—for his appointment to a cabinet post and administrative achievements in the Methodist church.

Labor Post

He was assistant secretary of labor from 1954, when he was appointed by President Eisenhower, until his resignation last November. His most recent headlining activities was his participation in the recent investigation of voting violations in Montgomery, Ala., along with other members of the Federal Civil Rights Commission, which conducted the probe there.

Wilkins also attended and presided as chairman over the three state advisory meetings, (Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin) held in Chicago, Nov. 26, 1958 and attended by Des Moines attorneys W. Lawrence Oliver and J. B. Morris, Sr.

On several occasions Wilkins had visited in Des Moines and attended the Roosevelt Club as the guest of the late A. A. Alexander and his widow, Mrs. A. A. Alexander.

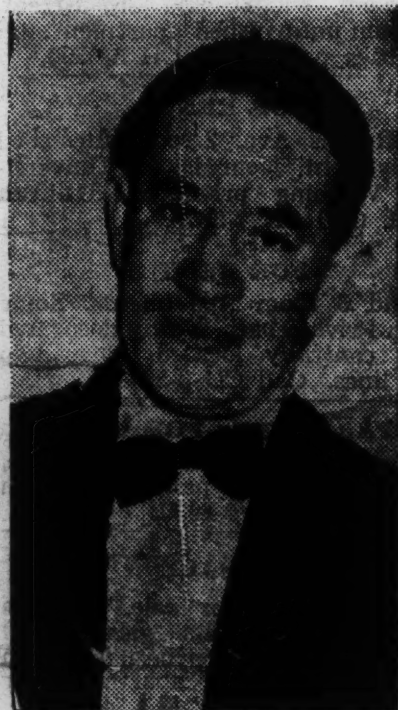
Methodist Appointment

In 1956 Wilkins was elected president of the Judicial Council of the Methodist church, highest honor that can be conferred on a layman, and was the first Negro so honored. He

had served as secretary of the council three years prior to his elevation to the presidency.

Practiced Law

A native of Missouri, he had studied law at the University of Chi-



J. ERNEST WILKINS

cago where he graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors. He had honorary doctorates from several universities. He practiced law 45 years in Chicago, Ill., before going to Washington in 1955.

Wilkins had served as chairman of the Commission on Government Contracts in 1953 and also on the president's commission on Employment policy. He was appointed to the Civil Rights Commission in 1957 after its origination by Congress.

J. Ernest Wilkins, 'Rights' Commission Member, Succumbs

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — J. Ernest Wilkins, Negro member of the Civil Rights Commission and a former Assistant Secretary of Labor, was found dead in his home here Monday. He was 65. He apparently died of a heart attack.

Wilkins was named Assistant Labor Secretary for International Affairs in March, 1954. He resigned from the labor post last November.

He was one of the original six members named to the Civil Rights Commission set up by Congress in 1957 to look into complaints of violations of civil rights.

Considered to have had moderate views on racial affairs, Wilkins was said to oppose "grandstand plays" in favor of steady progress toward the solution of racial issues.

Informed of the death, President Eisenhower said Wilkins was a "gifted and dedicated public servant who contributed much to the welfare of our country." In addition to the public statement, the President also sent a personal message of condolence to Mrs. Wilkins.

Wilkins, who also served on the President's Committee on Government Employment Policy, was a Phi Beta Kappa and a graduate of the University of Illinois with honors in 1918. He attended a Negro prep school because he was barred from attending an all-white school in his birthplace, Farmington, Mo.

Wilkins is survived by his wife and three sons.

As a civic leader he was president of the Cook County Bar association, a trustee of Provident hospital and a member of the City club of Chicago.

He married the former Lucille Beatrice Robinson in 1922. She is secretary of the Women's Division of Christian Service, a Methodist organization.

Besides his wife, Wilkins is survived by three remarkable sons:

J. Ernest Jr., 35, who entered the University of Chicago at 13, got his bachelor of science degree at 16, a Ph.D. in mathematical

physics at 19, worked on the wartime atomic-bomb project, and is now an industrial scientist at White Plains, N. Y.

John Robinson, 28, who got his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin at 18, graduated from the Harvard Law School at 21 after serving on the Harvard Law Review, and is now a lawyer in the U. S. Department of Justice.

Julian Byrd, 32, who entered the University of Wisconsin at 14, graduated with a bachelor of arts degree at 17, spent 20 months in the military service, graduated from the Harvard Law School in 1949 and was his father's law partner.

Wilkins himself was a brilliant mathematician, writing a thesis on algebraic numbers theory before he graduated from the University of Illinois in 1918.



J. ERNEST WILKINS

Held U. S. Assistant Labor Post

Was Also Member Of President's Contract Committee

WASHINGTON.— J. Ernest Wilkins, a former assistant to the U. S. Secretary of Labor, died Monday in his Washington, D. C., home of undetermined causes.



J. ERNEST WILKINS SR.

Wilkins, 64, a Chicago lawyer, was appointed to the post by President Eisenhower in 1954. His specific title was the Assistant Secretary of Labor for International Labor Affairs. He resigned, reportedly under pressure, last year.

A native of Farmington, Mo., Wilkins was the son of Henry and Susan Wilkins. He received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Illinois in 1918 and his doctor of law degree from the University of Chicago in 1921. He was admitted to the Illinois bar in 1921 and had been practicing until he was named to the labor post.

He received the LL.D. degree

from Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., in 1941.

A Phi Beta Kappa, Wilkins has served as both grand master of records and exchequer and grand polemarch of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. He also was a member of the Sigma Pi Phi fraternity. He was secretary of the Judicial Council of the Methodist church.

On August 15, 1953, President Eisenhower named Wilkins to a commission which cracked down on employment discrimination by firms doing business with the government.

Vice President Richard N. Nixon was appointed chairman of the commission and Wilkins was named vice chairman.

Wilkins was a member of the President's Committee on Government Contracts.

In 1954, the lawyer headed the United States delegation to the International Labor Organization conference of the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. At the meeting, after the Russian delegation demanded immediate placement on the important selections committee, Wilkins delivered an extemporaneous speech that led to an overwhelming 81 to 0 defeat of the 15-member Soviet bloc.

Although at first it was thought that Wilkins was the first Negro to be named to a cabinet post, it was determined that a Boston lawyer, William H. Lewis, served as an assistant attorney general under President William Howard Taft.

Politically, Wilkins had never held an elective office. He lost the only election campaign he ever waged in 1950 when he was the first Negro to run on the Republican ticket for the circuit court of Cook county (an Illinois county that comprises a large part of Chi-

Rev. A. J. Edwards, Pastor Of Zion Church 27 Years

The Rev. Dr. A. Joseph Edwards, 53, pastor of Zion Baptist Church for 27 years, died Sunday as he was traveling to his church to celebrate its founding 95 years ago.

Dr. Edwards, a native of Key West, Fla., was graduated from Clark University with a bachelor of arts degree. He later attended Gammon Theological Seminary and Howard University, where he received a master's degree.

During Dr. Edwards' pastorate, his church was cleared of debt and redecorated. But the congregation was moved in 1956 from 337 F street S.W. to the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA because of the Southwest Re-development program.

Dr. Edwards is remembered by many as a volunteer adviser to parolees under the jurisdiction of the District Court. He also served as a past president of the Southwest Community House and was a former president of the School of Religion alumni of Howard University.

Dr. Edwards was a 32d degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Jonathan Davis Consistory No. 1 and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He also was active with the Evangelistic



THE REV. EDWARDS

Mission to Youth of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

He leaves his wife, Minnie, and a son, Paul, of the home address at 3930 Benning road N.E.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. tomorrow in the Shiloh Baptist Church at Ninth and P streets N.W. Burial will be in Carver Memorial Park Cemetery.



RUDOLPH A. STEWART
Rudolph Stewart,
Federal Employee

Rudolph A. Stewart, 55, an Agriculture Department employee and leading Prince Hall Mason, died of cancer Sunday at his home at 619 Quincy street N.W. 8-12-59.

Born in the District, Mr. Stewart had lived here all his life. One of the first Negroes employed as a clerk at the Agriculture Department, he had worked there in the publications office 30 years.

He joined Masonic Fidelity Lodge No. 20 in 1927. Through the years he had belonged to the Shriners, Knights Templar, Order of the Eastern Star. He was a 33d degree Mason.

At the time of his death he held the national office of second master of the Prince Hall Shriners, was a past commander of the Davis Scottish Rite consistory here and master of Fidelity Lodge.

He leaves his wife, Mary A. Stewart, whom he married in 1927, and his step-mother, Effie F. Stewart, both of the home address.

Funeral services were to be held today at Metropolitan Baptist Church, Twelfth and R streets N.W., with burial in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Harry Walker Of Howard U.

Harry J. Walker, an associate professor of sociology of Howard University who lent his findings on community and race relations to a host of desegregation troublespots, died of a heart attack Saturday at Freedman's Hospital. He was 54.

Mr. Walker's studies through also a lecturer at Roosevelt out his career aimed at documenting community reaction to key questions of desegregation.

Currently serving as president of the D. C. Chapter of the American Sociological Society, Mr. Walker was the author of the pamphlet, "The Negro in American Life." He is survived by his wife, LaVergne, and a son, Harry J. Jr., of their home at 4711 Blagden ave. nw.



Last fall he testified in Alexandria Federal Court on the Arlington desegregation issue, saying he felt the County could desegregate as easily as Washington had, if not more so.

He devoted a year's research in 1955 with Robert T. Bower of American University on adjustment to integration in Washington public schools. Another study, made with a Howard colleague, G. Franklin Edwards, uncovered adverse effects of urban renewal on minority group housing in six Eastern cities.

Other testimony helped the Interior Department decide to desegregate Washington's swimming pools in 1950, and helped pave the way for hiring of Negroes by the Capitol Transit Co. in 1954. The Southern Regional Council in Atlanta found him a valuable consultant to desegregation trouble areas throughout the East. Mr. Walker, a native of Muncie, Pa., had served the Howard University faculty from 1939 to 1942 and from 1948 to the present. In the interim he earned a doctorate at the University of Chicago.

While in Chicago he served on the Mayor's Committee on Human Relations and was a member of the city's Southside Planning Board. He was

Taps For J. Ernest Wilkins

In the bloom of life and at the high tide of his usefulness, Ernest Wilkins, as he is favorably known, crossed the great divide. He was the lone Negro member of the Civil Rights Commission, having been appointed as such by President Eisenhower at the outset of this meritorious mission.

He had already proved his worth as Assistant Secretary of Labor.

His affability, his scholarly attainments and his persuasive personality have won him admiration and respect all over the land.

He served recently down in Alabama on the Negro vote investigation and was in the panel questioning those involved in the Alabama Negro vote cases which attracted national attention.

His death comes as a source of sorrow all over the nation. He had firmly fixed his place in the councils of the advisers around the President in these hours of tension and unrest.

He has on all occasions, given excellent account of his stewardship and his family and friends have our deepest sympathy.

It is earnestly hoped that the President will find another strong champion of human justice within our ranks to represent this vacancy in the personnel now comprising the Civil Rights Commission.

James C. Peterson Dead: ICA Official in Turkey

James C. Peterson, 45, an agricultural economist with the International Cooperation Administration, died of a heart attack Wednesday in an Ankara, Turkey, hospital.

Mr. Peterson, who had served in Turkey since May, 1957, previously lived at 3816 8th st. nw. Born in Jackson, Miss., Mr. Peterson attended Jackson College and gained a master's degree in sociology from Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

After teaching high school for a time, he worked toward his doctorate at the University of Minnesota.

Moving to Washington in 1941, he joined the Farmers Home Administration of the



Mr. Peterson

Department of Agriculture. Except for war service with the Navy during 1944, he stayed with the Department until 1952 when he switched to ICA.

He was a Mason and an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman. While in Ankara, he was a member of the American Chapel Choir.

His wife, Audrey C. Peterson, was required to return to their home here last April to legalize their adopted daughter's entry into the United States.

Sushila Jane Peterson, now 6, was adopted four and a half years ago when Mr. Peterson was working as an agricultural economist in New Delhi. He served four years in India.

Besides his wife and daughter, he is survived by his mother, Josie B. McKinney, of Jackson, and a sister, Nannie B. Curtis, of Washington.

Funeral services and burial will be held in Washington.

Charles F. Butler

Charles F. Butler, 41, an employee in the service branch of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for over 17 years, died of coronary complications Thursday at Georgetown University Hospital. He resided at 629 Girard st. ne.

Mr. Butler was born in Fairmont, W. Va. He came to Washington as a child and graduated from Armstrong High School.

A Shriner and a Mason, Mr. Butler was master of Social Lodge No. 1, Orange Masons. He was also past president of the P.T.A. at Garfield-Patterson Junior High School and was active in the P.T.A. at Dunbar High School.

He is survived by his wife, Mahaley; two daughters, Jeanette Hughes and Doris, all of the home address; a foster daughter, Mrs. Gloria Proctor, of Washington; and his father, Charles H., of Washington. He also leaves three step-brothers and a step-sister.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Asbury Methodist Church, 11th and K sts. nw., with burial in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.



Mr. Butler

Funeral Rites For J. Earnest Wilkins

CHICAGO. — (ANP) — Funeral services were held last Friday for J. Earnest Wilkins at St. Mark Methodist Episcopal church with the Rev. Damon P. Young, pastor, officiating. Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr. of St. Louis delivered the eulogy. The invocation was by Dr. S. P. Jenkins, superintendent Chicago District of the Lexington conference, and the scripture was read by Dr. Frank Countryman, Supt. Southern District, Rock River conference. He was interred in Lincoln cemetery.

Wilkins, former assistant Secretary of Labor, and a member of the Civil Rights Commission was found dead Monday in his home in Washington, D.C. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He reportedly was under treatment for a heart condition.

The prominent lawyer was last seen by the family maid, Geneva Harris, about three p.m. Friday as she left for the weekend. Due in Tulsa, Okla., for a speaking engagement, Wilkins was packing when she left.

His body was discovered near the suitcases. Foul play was not indicated.

Wilkins, a Chicago attorney for 35 years, made history by becoming the first Negro to attend a President's cabinet meeting in 1956. A high Methodist churchman, he was elected president of the Judicial council of the Methodist church, the highest layman position in the church.

Ike Sends Message

He also served as chairman of the Committee on Government Contracts in 1953 and was a member of the President's Commission on Employment Policy.

Top Washington officials, headed by President Eisenhower and Secretary of Labor James Mitchell expressed their regret over Wilkins' death. Secretary Mitchell named Newell Brown, assistant

Secretary of Labor, as his personal representative to attend the funeral.

In a public statement, Secretary Mitchell said:

"The news of the death of J. Earnest Wilkins has saddened me greatly. He was an admired and able public servant. He served in many private and public capacities and held responsibilities in a wide number of fields. As Vice Chairman of the President's Committee

on Government Contracts, as Assistant Secretary of Labor, and more recently as a member of the Civil Rights Commission, Mr. Wilkins advanced the welfare not only of our country's minority citizens but that of all our citizens. Mrs. Wilkins and the Wilkins' family have my deepest sympathy."

Lost Great Leader

Dr. John A. Hannah, chairman of the Civil Rights Commission said:

"With the death of Commissioner Wilkins the nation has lost a great leader and a faithful servant. Mr. Wilkins will be greatly missed by the members of the Commission on Civil Rights and its staff, for he brought to the Commission work a wealth of experience as an eminent attorney and as one with a vast knowledge of the subject with which the Commission is concerned.

His insight, his integrity, his understanding, and his earnest efforts in behalf of civil rights will not be easily replaced. His passing is a great personal loss to me."

Wilkins is survived by his widow, Lucille; three sons, Julian, Ernest Jr., and John R.; and five grandchildren.

J. Ernest Wilkins Dies; Civil Rights Member

J. Ernest Wilkins, 64, a member of the President's Civil Rights Commission and former Assistant Secretary of Labor for international affairs, was found dead of apparently natural causes yesterday at his home, 4708 Blagden terrace N.W. He had reportedly been under hospital surveillance for a heart condition.

Mr. Wilkins, an earnest exponent of Negro civil rights, was appointed to the commission in 1957. In his labor post, which he held from 1954 to '58, he championed a compulsory fair employment practices law. He resigned from the post last November and was succeeded by George C. Lodge, son of United Nations Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, jr.

Mr. Wilkins, a noted attorney in Chicago for 35 years and later in Washington, was one of two Negroes to hold a "Little Cabinet" post. Another Negro, William H. Lewis, once served as an assistant attorney general in 1911-15 under President Taft.

Prominent Methodist

Mr. Wilkins was prominent in Methodist Church affairs. He was secretary of the Judicial Council from 1953-56 and later served as a member of the executive committee of the Methodist World Council. In 1956 he was appointed chairman of the Judicial Council, the highest lay office in the Methodist Church.

He was also chairman in 1953 of the Commission on Government Contracts and served on the President's Commission on Employment Policy.

Praised By Eisenhower

In the field of foreign and international labor affairs, Mr. Wilkins was active as a member of the State Department's board of foreign service, the United States representative on the governing body of the International Labor Organization from 1954-57 and the American delegate and head of the dele-



J. ERNEST WILKINS

gation to the ILO conferences from 1954-57.

President Eisenhower issued the following statement late yesterday:

"I have just learned of the sudden and tragic passing of J. Ernest Wilkins. As former Assistant Secretary of Labor for international labor affairs and as a member of the Civil Rights Commission, Mr. Wilkins was a gifted and dedicated public servant who contributed much to the public welfare of our country.

"Mrs. Eisenhower and I extend our deepest sympathies to his family."

Mr. Wilkins was born in Farmington, Mo., and was graduated with honors from the University of Illinois in 1918. He also held degrees from the University of Chicago, Lincoln (Mo.) University and Southwestern College.

In 1921 he was admitted to the Illinois bar and subsequently practiced in Chicago.

He leaves his wife, the former Lucile Robinson of the home address, and three sons, John R., a former Justice Department attorney; J. Ernest, jr., of White Plains, N. Y., and Julian B., a lawyer in Chicago.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Notable Was Victim Of Heart Attack On Monday January, 19

Brilliant Chicago Leader Was Eminent Republican, Methodist Stalwart And First Negro To Serve In Cabinet of President of United States

Washington, D. C.—J. Ernest Wilkins, a member of the Commission on Civil Rights, who was found dead in his home Monday morning, apparently from a heart attack, was praised by President Eisenhower as a "gifted and dedicated public servant."

Mr. Eisenhower added that the former Assistant Secretary of Labor in charge of international affairs had "contributed much to the welfare of our country."

Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell said:

"He was an admired and able public servant . . . Mr. Wilkins advanced the welfare not only for our country's minority citizens but that of all our citizens."

Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State University and chairman of the Commission on Civil Rights, said at East Lansing, Michigan:

"With the death of Commissioner Wilkins, the nation has lost a great leader and a faithful servant. Mr. Wilkins will be greatly missed by the members of the Commission on Civil Rights and its staff, for he brought to the Commission's work a wealth of experience as an eminent attorney and as one with a vast knowledge of the subject with which the Commission is concerned. His insight, his integrity, his understanding, and his earnest efforts in behalf of civil rights will not be easily replaced. His passing also is a great personal loss to me."

Mr. Wilkins, who had practiced law in Chicago since 1921, came to Washington in 1954 to take the Labor Department post, the highest position held by a Negro in the Eisenhower administration.

He also was the first Negro ever to take part officially in a session of the President's Cabinet, sitting in for Secretary Mitchell during his absence.

Mr. Wilkins had been under treatment at Walter Reed Army Hospital for a heart condition. When he resigned from the Labor post in November he said it was for "personal considerations."

Despite his heart ailment, Mr. Wilkins never slowed his pace in the work of the Civil Rights Commission. He attended a meeting held in East Lansing on July 2, following

several weeks' confinement at the hospital and, at home, notwithstanding his doctors' advice to the contrary.

At the hearing on voting rights denials in Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 8 and 9, he was one of the most active questioners of witnesses. He returned to Montgomery for a second hearing on January 9 to receive reports from staff investigators and hear testimony of Alabama officials who were under Federal Court order to testify.

He was scheduled to leave Washington by plane Saturday morning to fill a speaking engagement in Tulsa, Okla., on Sunday and was apparently stricken while packing. Mrs. Wilkins was in Pennsylvania in connection with her activities for the Methodist Church. Mr. Wilkins' body was found by a maid on Monday morning about 10:30 o'clock.

He was to have gone to Durham, N. C., on the following day to help organize a North Carolina Advisory Committee to the Commission.

Mr. Wilkins had once said, "I do believe that the role of Negro leadership in America can help to develop a character for our country which his sensitive to all the many kinds of people who inhabit the earth."

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lucille B. Wilkins, and three sons: J. Ernest Wilkins, Jr., of White Plains, N. Y., a mathematical physicist in the field of atomic energy who made Phi Beta Kappa and earned his Ph. D degree at the age of 19.

Julian B. Wilkins, of Chicago, a law partner in his father's firm there.

John R. Wilkins, of Washington an attorney with the International

Operation Administration, now stationed in New Delhi, India, a regional legal counsel of its U. S. Operations Mission.

Born at Farmington, Mo., Feb. 1, 1904, Mr. Wilkins attended the University of Illinois where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He graduated with an A. B. degree.

His law training was at the University of Chicago which conferred upon him the J. D. degree. He also has honorary LL. D. degrees from Lincoln University in Missouri and Southwestern College in Kansas.

Mr. Wilkins was a prominent member of the Methodist Church, being the first Negro elected to the nine-member judicial council which is the "supreme court" of the Methodist Church. At his death he was president of the Council, the highest lay office in the church.

He was also vice chairman of the President's Committee on Governmental Affairs, is to be found among many of our governors, legislators, mayors and other bishops of bigotry and prophets of prejudice. Officeholders who piously eulogize segregation with public pronouncements, in spite of the fact that it has been outlawed, are not different in position from those who perpetrate violence to maintain it except in degree. They are both on the side which stands in bold contradistinction to that which is merit Contracts, headed by Vice President Nixon.

A former president of the Cook County Bar Association, Mr. Wilkins also held membership in the American and National Bar Associations and Sigma Pi Phi (Boule), and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternities. He was also polemarch (national president) of Kappa Alpha Psi from 1947 to 1950, and for 25 years before that, grand keeper of records and exchequer.

Mr. Wilkins' body will lay in state at the Foundry Methodist Church 1500 16th St., N. W., Washington, D. C., from 11:00 a.m., to 2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1959.

The funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 23, 1959, at the St. Mark Methodist Church, 50th and Wabash Streets, Chicago, Ill.



*The Afro American
Baltimore, Md.
Sat. 11-28-59*

ARMY SALUTE — Full military honors were given Captain Elijah Reynolds, re-

tired Army officer, during burial at Arlington National Cemetery Tuesday. The

honor guard is shown at the entrance to the cemetery.

The Afro American Baltimore, Md. Rites held for retired Army Captain Reynolds

WASHINGTON

Funeral services were held for Capt. Elijah Reynolds, U.S. Army, retired, Tuesday at John Wesley AME Zion Church, the Rev. E. Franklin Jackson, pastor officiating. He was interred at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.

The Rev. Mr. Jackson was assisted during the service by the Revs. E. C. Smith, pastor, Metropolitan Baptist Church and J. L. S. Holloman, pastor, Second Baptist Church.

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS were members of the American Legion, James E. Walker Post. Honorary pallbearers were fellow officers who served with him in World War I.

The honor guard at Frazier Funeral Home came from the Cadet Corps of Dunbar High School. Services were held at the Frazier Funeral Home by the members of the American Legion, James E. Walker Post.

CAPTAIN REYNOLDS was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., July 27, 1875. While he was still at an early age, the family moved to the District where he entered public schools.

His first recruiting and enlistment was at the U.S. Army old recruiting station at 12th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW.

On Dec. 15, 1895, he was one of the 17 recruits who arrived at Missoula, Montana where he was stationed with the 25th Infantry until March 28, 1898.

In 1898, his regiment moved to Tampa, Fla. and became part of the First and Fourth Infantry to form the Second Brigade of the Second Division of the Fifth Army Corps.

ON JUNE 6, 1898 the regiment broke camp and embarked for Cuba where he saw active service at El Caney, San Juan Hill and Santiago Bay. He also saw active service with his regiment and the 10th Cavalry in the Mexican Border Campaign.

In 1899 he saw service in the

Philippine Islands and in 1900 the Boxer Rebellion. He returned to the U.S. and was one of those whose regiment was sent to the Oklahoma Territory to help quell the Indian Uprising in 1902.

DURING THE YEARS from 1904 until 1905 he did recruiting duty in Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas and Kentucky. It was during this interim that he met and married Maggie Dee McInham, now deceased.

In 1906 his regiment returned to the Philippine Islands to do occupation duty on the Island of Mindanao. During this occupation he received his promotion as first sergeant. In 1909, the Philippine uprising ended and his regiment embarked for home.

In 1911 the threat from Japan to seize the Hawaiian Islands from the U.S.A. sent the 25th Infantry which was then stationed at Ft. George Wright in Spokane, Wash. to the Hawaiian Islands where he remained with his then growing family until April, 1917.

Internationally Known Scribe

George Padmore Dies in London

LONDON, Eng.—Trinidad-born George Padmore, long-time Courier correspondent, died in London's University College Hospital on Sept. 23 at the age of 56.

• He had won international renown as an adviser to nationalist statesmen and students in Africa and had been for years an associate of Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana.

His releases to American newspapers had come from, at various times, the West Indies, London, the European continent, and in his latter days from West Africa.

Having come to London on Sept. 9, from Accra, Ghana, for a vacation, Mr. Padmore died of a liver ailment after taking sick several days before.

The well-known writer was born in Arouca in northern Trinidad in 1903, and received his early training in the Catholic schools there. He was the son of a well-to-do scholar, a botanist and agriculturist.

BEFORE ENTERING Fisk University at Nashville, Tenn., and later graduating with a law degree from Howard University, Padmore worked as a reporter for two years on the Trinidad Guardian.

At Howard University, he was reported to have first come in contact with Communists, with whom he was associated until he broke with them during World War II.

In realization of Mr. Padmore's potentialities, the Communists carried him to an anti-imperialist conference in Berlin in 1930 and later to Moscow.

Padmore said that he entered socialism and communism because the Communists were in the forefront of the fight for racial equality in the United States.

IN MOSCOW, Padmore lectured on race and African problems at the University of the Toilers of the Far East.

came chairman of the Negro Bureau of Proletariat, the Communist trade union international, and member of the presidium of the Colonial Bureau of the Communist International.

After serving in the Moscow City Soviet as representative of the Stalin Ball Bearing Factory from 1930 to 1933, Padmore went to Hamburg, Germany, where he became editor of the Negro Worker.

There, he was imprisoned by the Hitler government for six months and was deported to England after that.

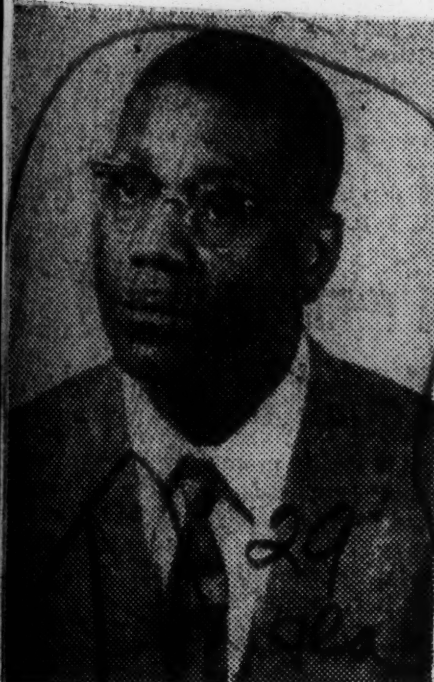
IN LONDON, Padmore broke with the Communists and while contributing to several American newspapers, became the adviser to numerous prominent African students and nationalists. He taught them the strategy and tactics of nationalist politics.

With Dr. Nkrumah, in 1945, he laid the plans for the Pan-African Congress at Manchester, England. In 1957, he moved to Ghana to become adviser to Dr. Nkrumah and the government.

As the result of a number of conferences which came into being as a part of Padmore's plan to organize Africa's freedom movements, the establishment of the All-African Liberation Movement in Accra has taken place.

Mr. Padmore is survived by his English-born widow, the former Dorothy Pizer.

The Padmore remains have been cremated and the ashes shipped to Accra, Ghana, for burial on Oct. 4.



DR. S. MARION WEEKS

Bible Society Secretary Weeks Passes Thursday

Dr. S. Marion Weeks, an area secretary of the American Bible Society, passed Thursday at Hughes Spaulding Hospital. He had been hospitalized there since January 15.

Successor to the late Dr. D. S. Stanton in the Bible Society position, Dr. Weeks, who was 38 years of age, established his office in Birmingham, Ala., about a year before Dr. Stanton passed in 1957. A native of Florida, the deceased was a graduate of Clark College in the class of 1945, Gammon Theological Seminary and Boston University. An ordained Methodist minister, he had held pastorates in Georgia, Florida and Massachusetts.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ida Bradley Weeks, and a son, Samuel Marion Weeks, Jr., as well as his mother, all of whom resided at their Atlanta residence.

Dr. Weeks will be funeralized from the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church, Gainesville, Fla., next Tuesday at 2 p.m. Burial will be in Stuart, Fla.

Composed FAMU School Song

Dr. J. D. Avent Dies in Florida

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Dr. Joseph D. Avent Sr., a former Pittsburgher, died here last Saturday, where he came to make his home upon his retirement from dental practice six years ago.

Born in Murfreesboro, Tenn., in 1889, Dr. Avent was educated at Morehouse College, Chicago University and the University of Pittsburgh.

While serving as an English professor at Florida A&M College, he composed the present college song.

In 1912, Dr. Avent married the former Hattie C. Baylor of Columbia, S. C. The two shared a happy and fruitful life together from that day on.

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Dr. J. D. Avent Dies in Florida

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Dr. Joseph D. Avent Sr., a former Pittsburgher, died here last Saturday, where he came to make his home upon his retirement from dental practice six years ago.

Born in Murfreesboro, Tenn., in 1889, Dr. Avent was educated at Morehouse College, Chicago University and the University of Pittsburgh.

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B. C. Vanderhorst Dies Following Long Illness

B. C. Vanderhorst of 713 West Beaver St., prominent Jacksonville resident and retired business man, died last Saturday evening at 9:08 o'clock in his home following a lingering illness.

Mr. Vanderhorst was born in Georgetown, S.C. and had lived in Jacksonville for the past 59 years.

Prior to his illness, he was active in religious, civic and fraternal affairs of the city and for many years he was a public relation representative of the Jacksonville Coach Company, a position he held until his health began to fail.

He was a member of the Mount Zion AME Church, the Rev. W. F. Foster, minister, and he also was a member of the Sons of Solomon Lodge 166, Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

Survivors include: wife, Mrs. Isolene W. Vanderhorst, city; four daughters, Mrs. Ruth V. Jennings of Orlando, Mrs. Winona V. Britt, city, Mrs. Grace V. Mizell of Fort Lauderdale, and Mrs. Verdelle V. Bradley of Richmond, Va.; one brother, the Rev. John F. Vanderhorst of Rahway, N.J., several nieces and nephews, and other relatives.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of J. E. Whittington, mortician.

Prof. William F. Ogburn Dead; Sociologist Wrote on Technology

Times New York
Educator in Many Fields
Compiled First 'National
Inventory' for Government
Wrote 4-2-59

Special to The New York Times.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 28

Dr. William Fielding Ogburn, noted sociologist, died at Memorial Hospital here last night after an emergency operation. Professor Ogburn, who was one of the country's leading social statisticians and social philosophers, lived in Washington. He was 72 years old.

Dr. Ogburn was former president of the American Statistical Association and the American Sociological Society. He was a former vice president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and former chairman of the Social Research Council.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Rubyn Reynolds Ogburn; a son, Fielding Ogburn of Washington, and a brother, Charlton Ogburn of New York.

Aided Federal Government

Dr. Ogburn, an authority on the sociological effects of technology, served the Federal Government in many capacities. He was particularly well known for his work as director of research for President Hoover's Committee on Social Trends.

The committee's report, which took three years to compile, was aimed at interrelating the disjointed factors and elements in the social life of America. It was called the first "national inventory" ever compiled.

Dr. Ogburn's published research extended to so many fields that he was classified by some as a sociologist, by others as an economist and still others as a political scientist.

His subjects covered culture and social change, living costs, inventions and technology, the family, urban life, child labor and population shifts.

In 1939, as research consultant to the National Resources Planning Board, Dr. Ogburn completed a forecast of the great industries of the future. His dispassionate approach to public problems resulted in his joint selection by labor and capital as arbiter of numerous industrial disputes.

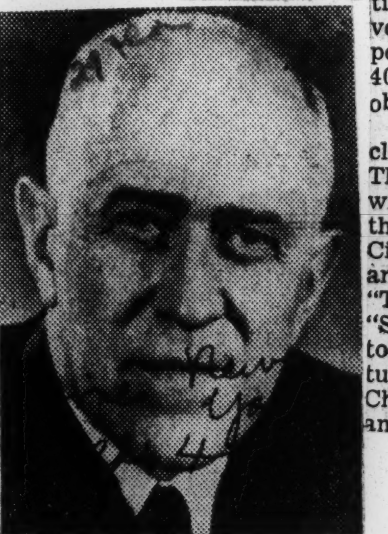
Professor Ogburn, who was born in Butler, Ga., graduated from Mercer University and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from Columbia University.

From 1911 to 1918 he taught economics, politics, history and sociology successively at Princeton University, Reed College and the University of Washington.

From 1918 to 1927 he was professor of sociology at Columbia. In the latter year he transferred to the same position at the University of Chicago, where he remained until his retirement in 1951 as the Sewell L. Avery Distinguished Service Professor of Sociology.

Since then he had lectured at the Universities of Calcutta and Delhi in India and Nuffield College, Oxford University. From 1953 until his death he was Visiting Professor of Sociology at Florida State University.

Professor Ogburn's Govern-



Prof. William F. Ogburn

ment service began during World War I, when he served as head of the cost-of-living department of the National War Labor Board. After the war he was a special agent for the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

From 1930 to 1933, Dr. Ogburn served with the Research Committee on Social Trends. For a year he was a member of the Consumers Advisory Board of the National Recovery Administration. Other Government posts he held were with the National Resources Planning Board, the Resettlement Administration and National Resources Commission and as chairman of the Census Advisory Committee.

Many of Professor Ogburn's sociological views provoked controversy. He once wrote that, biologically speaking, man has not changed since cave-man days. He held that he had the same fears, hates, appetites and instincts and that, although society has changed because of

inventions and changing cultures, man has not.

Argued for Longer Infancy

Ogburn wrote that these changes will make it increasingly difficult for man to adapt to his environment. He suggested that, as culture becomes more complex, man's problems would perhaps be met by prolonging his infancy to the age of 30 or 40.

Under such changing conditions, he continued, morality as it is now commonly conceived will no longer have a place in society and laws would assume less importance. He theorized that democracy would be abandoned as too simple a scheme of political science for the future complex state.

After the explosion of the first atomic bomb, Professor Ogburn called on physicists to sit down with social scientists to discuss the social implications of the atomic age. He advocated breaking up metropolitan cities into towns of 40,000 population each to avoid obliteration by nuclear weapons.

Dr. Ogburn wrote many articles, some of which appeared in The New York Times. He also wrote many books, among them "Social Characteristics of Cities," "American Marriage and Family Relationships," "The Social Effect of Aviation," "Social Change With Respect to Culture and Original Nature," "Technology and the Changing Family" and "You and Machines."

Sidney Bechet, Jazzman, Dies

United Press International.

PARIS, May 14.—New Orleans-born jazzman Sidney Bechet, 68, died of cancer today in Paris, the city in which he built himself a new jazz career.

The death today of Sidney Bechet marked the passing of one of the last of the old-line jazzmasters to whom the South gave birth generations ago.

Mr. Bechet began his career in the saloons and bawdy houses of New Orleans' notorious Storyville. In the years that followed he was to know fame in the United States, in London, Berlin, Moscow and particularly in Paris.

Knew Adversity.

Although he enjoyed success through most of his life, the gifted Negro also knew adversity, and in 1933, discouraged, he laid aside the clarinet and soprano saxophone he loved so dearly and opened a tailor shop. Then came the revival of hot jazz and the return of Mr. Bechet to the night clubs and the dance halls.

His pals over the years included the equally famed Louis Armstrong, Jelly Roll Morton and Zutty Singleton. He made countless records, many of which were on the hit lists. He composed several numbers. His "Petite Fleur," written seven years ago, became a hit only this year.

Mr. Bechet, who played both hot and sweet, could not read a note of music, which made his performances all the more remarkable. But he had a feel for music that was so strong he could play almost anything.

Made 'Em Himself.

"If I couldn't find the notes in the proper place," he said once, "I made 'em myself. If I hear a bar or a couple of notes of melody I always seem to know what is next. I seem to go so fast that I don't bother with the music."

Mr. Bechet picked up a clari-

net at the age of six and began playing. Nobody told him how. He just played it. He said that to get a proper soft tone on a clarinet "you have to take it easy and pet it a little."

Mr. Bechet settled down in Paris 12 years ago and there he achieved his greatest happiness and his most enthusiastic following. Paris, he said, is "heaven with sidewalk cafes." On Aug. 7, 1951 he was married in the French resort of Antibes to Elizabeth Ziegler, a white German woman he had known many years. The wedding was a jazz carnival enjoyed by hundreds.

More than 10 jazz bands serenaded the couple. A horse-drawn carriage carried them to and from the ceremony.

Admirers danced in front of the horses as the Bechets drove to their reception two miles from the city hall, and cagefuls of doves were released along the way. The Bechets separated several years ago.

Mr. Bechet's last public appearance was a concert he gave last fall. He complained of chest pains and soon became bedridden. Cancer had attacked both his throat and his abdomen.

**SIDNEY BECHET,
JAZZ SAX KING,
DIES IN PARIS**

Began Career at 10 in

New Orleans

PARIS, May 14 [Reuters]—White haired Sidney Bechet,

one of the founding fathers of jazz music, died Thursday in his suburban villa near here.

The New Orleans born Negro, one of the world's greatest saxo-

phone and clarinet players had been suffering from throat and stomach cancer. According to the reference books, this was his 62d birthday but those who knew the "poet of jazz" well estimated his age at about 70.

Bechet had been living in France for the last 10 years and was immensely popular here. He leaves his German born second wife, the actress, Elizabeth Ziegler Bechet, 49, from whom he was separated, and their son, Daniel, 5.

Began Career in Brothel

Bechet gave his last concert last fall in Paris. His professional life started at the age of 10 in the saloons and bawdy houses of New Orleans' notorious Storyville, where he played the clarinet in one of the gaudier houses. At that time, jazz was developing into a genuine art form. Bechet helped in its development along with men like Bunk Johnson, Clarence Williams, and Jelly Roll Morton.

Bechet started touring as a teen-ager. He played in Louis Armstrong's band in Kansas City and New York before forming his own groups in and around New Orleans. Although fundamentally a tenor saxaphonist, he became one of the great masters of the more difficult soprano, or C melody "sax."

Bechet first went to Europe in 1918, becoming a pioneer in taking American jazz overseas. He toured Europe again in 1923-25 and also went to the middle east. In 1927, he played in Russia.



Bechet

FRANCE

Met, Wed 23 Years Later

The next year in Europe, he met the woman who was to become his second wife 23 years later at a colorful jazz-and-rum wedding celebration on the French Riviera.

On his return to the United States, Bechet divorced his American first wife, Louise Kawford. It was not until 1948 that he began corresponding with the woman who now in his widow.

He dropped out of sight during World War II but reappeared here after the war to launch a new career. He had his own band and packed music halls, sometimes setting off riots among enthusiastic fans.

His recordings were popular in France and he acted in several French movies, speaking an amusing mixture of French and English.

New Orleans To Paris Pals Mourn Death Of Jazz Star Sidney Bechet

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Mezz Mezzrow, Bechet's closest friend in Paris, got together with some of the boys at the Left Bank Metro Jazz Cave and wailed on his clarinet until the sun came up.

Back in New Orleans they looked far back over the years and remembered Sidney's fantastic clarinet and saxophone playing.

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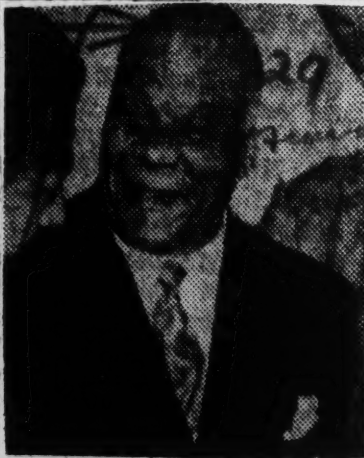
Trumpeter Arthur Briggs almost broke down after seeing how Bechet had wasted away during the

illness which struck him in December.

"He was my friend . . . and always will be," said Briggs.

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"I bet there'll be a crowd at the funeral," Mezzrow said. "Maybe we ought to get up a group to play some of the old New Orleans funeral marches. Sidney would have liked that."

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career as one of the world's leading jazzmen in the saloons and bawdy houses of New Orleans' notorious Storyville 30 years ago, was secretive. Records show he was born on May 14, 1897, which made him 62 yesterday, the day he died.

His last appearance in Paris where he had been living since the end of World War II, was last fall. At that time he complained of pains in his chest and was ordered by his doctors to take a rest.

Then, around Christmas time Bechet's ailment was diagnosed as cancer of the throat and abdomen. Doctors operated on him but Bechet knew that his days were numbered. In the past few days he grew weaker and weaker.

Sidney Bechet Dead in France; Famed U. S. Jazz Saxophonist

Early New Orleans Musician

Played Soprano Instrument

With Soaring Intensity

Special to The New York Times.

PARIS, May 14 — Sidney Bechet, American jazz saxophonist whose New Orleans style had a great following in France and other European countries, died today of cancer.

Mr. Bechet had been ill for several months and in the last few weeks had not left his villa in the Paris suburb of Garches. He had been virtually inactive since last September when his last recordings were made.

In 1951, Mr. Bechet married Elizabeth Ziegler, who had been divorced from a Frenchman. At that time he listed his age as 54, but admitted that he might have been closer to 60. He said they were careless about such things as birth certificates in the New Orleans of those days.

Developed Individual Style

Mr. Bechet was the first jazz musician to use the soprano saxophone as his primary instrument.

He started as a clarinetist in the warm, flowing style typical of the musicians of his native New Orleans, but soon developed an individual and readily recognizable attack, marked by a soaring intensity that he emphasized at slow tempos by his use of a very broad vibrato.

Purchasing his first soprano saxophone after seeing one in a music shop window in London in 1919, Mr. Bechet found it to be an unusually suitable vehicle for his particular style of playing. Although he alternated between clarinet and soprano saxophone during his career, most of his best known performances were on the saxophone.

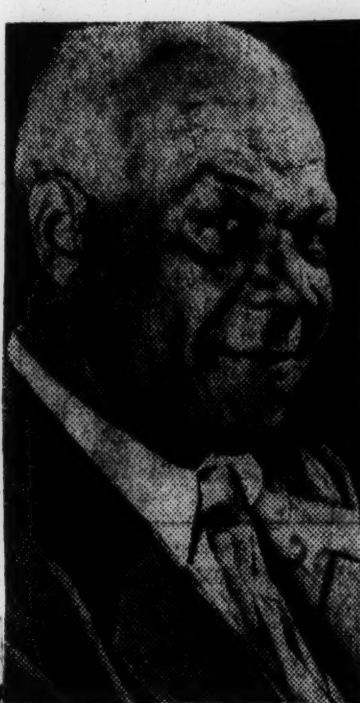
Mr. Bechet showed musical talent at an early age and in his teens had mastered six instruments. By the time he was 15 he was playing with Bunk Johnson's band at Pete Lala's cabaret in New Orleans. After two years with this group he toured the United States with Clarence Williams' band in 1915 and 1916.

Mr. Bechet was featured as a clarinetist with the Southwestern Syncopators, the ensemble of thirty-five instruments and twenty-five voices that Will Marion Cook took to Europe in 1918-19.

Ernest Ansermet, new conductor of the Orchestre de la Suisse Romande, heard the Southern Syncopators in 1919 and wrote admiringly of the "extraordinary clarinet virtuoso" named Sidney Bechet.

The clarinetist's playing, M. Ansermet said, was that of an "artist of genius."

After performing in England, where it was heard by King George V, the large group broke up. A smaller ensemble, which included Mr. Bechet, returned to Paris, then toured in the Soviet Union, Italy and Egypt. In 1928, Mr. Bechet joined Noble Sissie's band in France and for the next ten years



Sidney Bechet.

played intermittently with Mr. Sissie both there and in this country. He then gave up music to open a tailor shop in Harlem.

The next year, Mr. Bechet was featured on a recording of "Summertime," a tune that at least one record company had refused to allow him to play because it was not deemed suitable for a jazz musician. The success of this recording established him as a popular attraction and led to appearances in night clubs, on radio and in jazz concerts at Town Hall.

In 1946 Mr. Bechet appeared as both actor and musician in "Hear That Trumpet," a play by Orin Jannings that dealt with jazz musicians. He won the 1949 Page One Award of the American Newspaper Guild in the popular music category.

Mr. Bechet returned to France in 1950 to play in Paris and on the Riviera. Except for two brief visits to the United States he remained overseas until his death.

Wrote A Ballet Score

On April 4, 1953, Mr. Bechet's first serious work, a ballet score entitled "La nuit est une sorciere," had its first performance by the Paris Conservatory Orchestra. The composer played the solo clarinet part, which ran half an hour.

The composition, in seven movements, alternated between ballet music in the orthodox academic manner and sudden startling forays into jazz. It

occasion was a gala occasion, with music by 100 musicians in the orchestra. He and his wife had a son, Daniel, and wife had a son, Daniel, and wife had a son, Daniel.

Passing of Bechet meant death of 'Mr. Jazz' to Paris

By OLLIE STEWART

PARIS — When Sidney Bechet died here on May 14, at his home in Garches, it marked the end of an era that Paris—and perhaps the world—will never see again.

Reputed to be 62 years old, though some say he was older, Bechet was the absolute high priest of jazz in Europe for the past ten years. His appearance on the street caused excitement—and when he raised his soprano saxophone to his lips, bedlam broke out. To the French, he was Mr. Jazz.

THEY SAY he died of cancer. But when I spoke to him for the last time two months ago, he told me he was suffering from a bronchial congestion. He had been to the south of France for sunshine, to a French clinic for special treatment, but had returned home when nothing had given him relief.

Bechet came up out of New Orleans like a rocket, took Chicago in his stride, and was a sensation in Paris before he reached the age of twenty. He had his own bands, and worked with Noble Sissle and other top band leaders for many years. But he wouldn't stick with any outfit for long.

THE PERIOD from 1935 to 1945 was the low tide of his fabulous career. But he came back with a bang at the end of the last war. He moved to Paris for good in 1949, and for the past decade he's been the biggest drawing card in the musical world.

With Claude Luter's band at the Vieux Colombier, he set the fashion in jazz for four straight years. He appeared in a half dozen films, wrote a ballet and an opzetta, and headlined a revue called New Orleans just over a year ago.

TWO YEARS AGO he was banned from playing a free outdoor benefit because the police said his horn was "too hot." When he played, people lost control. And since then he's been touring Europe for fabulous fees.

His earnings the past few years have been estimated at \$50,000 annually, from royalties on recordings and personal appearances. It's no exaggeration to say that all Paris is mourning his death, and I'm happy to have been his friend.



SIDNEY BECHET

Jazz 'Saint' Bechet Goes Marchin' In

PARIS (AP)—Sidney Bechet, whose sweet saxophone helped spread New Orleans jazz around the world, died Thursday of lung cancer.

And his old sidekick Louis Satchmo Armstrong observed: "One of the saints has now gone marchin' in." Bechet died on his 68th birthday.

He was probably the world's greatest player of the soprano saxophone. Originally, as a boy in New Orleans, he played the clarinet.

He came to Paris to live after World War II. Frenchmen bought a million of his records—a big number for this country—in 1956 alone.

In 1951, he married a white girl, Elizabeth Ziegler. They separated several years ago.

The news of his death reached Armstrong in Switzerland.

"Let's don't cry too much for that good old cat, 'cause he's up there with 'em," Satchmo said. "I can see him now—he's marchin' in with the rest of 'em."

Armstrong estimated that he and Bechet—in one jam session or another—had played that classic, "When the Saints Go

Marching In," a thousand times.

Satchmo said that from his earliest days of playing Bechet possessed a beautiful tone: "It was golden, daddy, just plain golden. Just a jug full of golden honey."

Sidney Bechet, Jazz Great, Dies In Paris

PARIS (AP)—A star blinked out o'er Paris last Thursday and with its blinking came the news of the death of Sidney Bechet, ranking exponent of the soprano sax and a veritable pillar of the jazz idiom called Dixieland—originally known as ragtime. Bechet died in his home in Garches, a Paris suburb. Death was attributed to cancer of the throat and stomach.

The ageless Bechet—officially listed in reference books as 62, but according to intimate friends, he was pushing heavily the 70-mark—has been living in Paris for the past 10 years. Immensely popular in France, he gave his last concert in Paris during the fall of 1958.

The Bechet story began some 50 or 60 years ago in New Orleans where he began his lifelong career by playing in the saloons and honkytonks of New Orleans fabled (sometimes classed "notorious") Storyville. With the other giants of the emerging form of jazz, he migrated up the Mississippi river with his wide variety of clarinet and sax to Chicago. He was a member of King Oliver's Olympia band, and the later group captained by Louis Armstrong.

Touring Europe in 1938, he stirred up a wave of enthusiasm for the jazz medium and screaming fans packed music halls, oftentimes setting off riots in their overflowing joy.

He returned to Chicago in 1948, and played at Jazz Ltd. until 1949. He then returned to France where he remained until his death.

Twice married, Bechet was separated from his second wife, German-born Elizabeth Ziegler, whom he wedded Aug. 17, 1951. He is also survived by

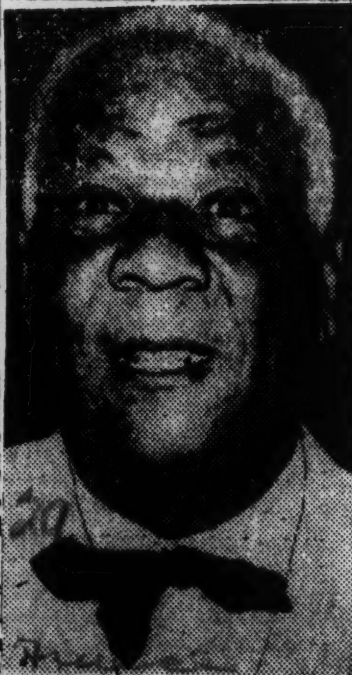
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When Bechet, venerable virtuoso of the soprano saxophone, died, local musicians mourned his passing in a fashion which the New Orleans-born musician would have understood.

Mezz Mezzrow, close friend of Bechet, rounded up fellow musicians and they played a sad gig at the Metro Jazz Cafe on the Left Bank until the sun came up the day after Bechet's passing.

In New Orleans, old timers like George Lewis and Dr. Ed. Souchon of N. O. Jazz Club, paid glowing tribute to "one of the greatest of all times," Sidney Bechet.

The sad part of the story was that the musician's cancer



SIDNEY BECHET

was discovered too late. Bechet begged the skilled surgeons to let him return to his suburban home in Garches where he knew he was going to die. For the final two months of his star-studded life, Sidney could hardly talk above a whisper and suffered nerve-wracking agony. But it has been learned that the noted musician's German-

born wife, Elizabeth, has arrived to take care of their six-year-old son. Perhaps someday he will learn what a great "jazz" his old man was.

Last Rites Held For Educator A. S. Clark

Daily World
CORDELE, Ga. — An 83-year-old educator was funeralized at 4 p. m. Sunday at St. Paul Presbyterian Church with a representative of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church officiating.

The funeral services for Dr. A. S. Clark who died Tuesday in the Crisp County Hospital, were held at the church where he served as pastor for some time. Officiating was Dr. J. B. Barber.

The body was in state at the church from 12 noon until the hour of the services, according to J. W. Williams Funeral Directors, of Cordele.

A North Carolina native, Dr. Clark came to Cordele in 1898 at the request of the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Clark received his A. B. degree in 1894 from Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. He completed three years of theological study at the university in 1897 and was awarded his M. A. degree. He received his Ph.D. from Lincoln University.

He and his wife founded Gillespie - Selden Institute in Cordele in 1902 and they served the school until their retirement in 1941. His wife died in 1951.

Crisp County's new Negro high school was named the A. S. Clark School for the educator.

At the time of his death, Clark was pastor emeritus of St. Paul Presbyterian Church in Cordele and an honorary member of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Funderburg, Of Monticello, Dies

Mrs. Ethel W. Funderburg, wife of Dr. F. D. Funderburg, of Monticello, Georgia, passed away early Saturday morning at her home in Monticello.

Mrs. Funderburg, the former Miss Ethel Westmoreland, was born and spent the early years of her life in Atlanta. She attended the Atlanta Public Schools and was graduated from Atlanta University in 1914.

She taught school prior to marriage to Dr. Funderburg in 1921. The deceased was the mother of five sons and one daughter, and is survived by her husband, three sons, her daughter and 11 grandchildren. An announcement regarding funeral arrangements will be made later.

Mrs. Funderburg To Be Funeralized And Buried Here

Mrs. Ethel W. Funderburg, wife of Dr. F. D. Funderburg of Monticello, Ga., passed away Saturday morning at her home in Monticello.

Mrs. Funderburg, the former Miss Ethel Westmoreland, was born in 1895 in Atlanta to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Westmoreland. She spent the early years of her life in Atlanta, attended the Atlanta Public Schools and graduated from Atlanta University in 1914. Prior to her marriage to Dr. Funderburg in 1921, she taught at Virginia State College and in Wilson, North Carolina. She was a member of the First Congregational Church, an active member of the Atlanta community and maintained membership in the In-Tel-Ce, Mo-So-Lit and Utopia Clubs. She was also a member of the Eastern Star.

The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday, August 18, at the First Congregational Church, 105 Courtland St. Burial will follow at South View Cemetery. Active and Honorary pall-bearers will be members of the North East Georgia Branch of the Georgia State Medical Association.

The body will lie in state at the St. James A. M. E. Church in Monticello on Tuesday morning from 8:30 to 11:30 a. m., at which time the members of the Monticello Eastern Star will form an honor guard.

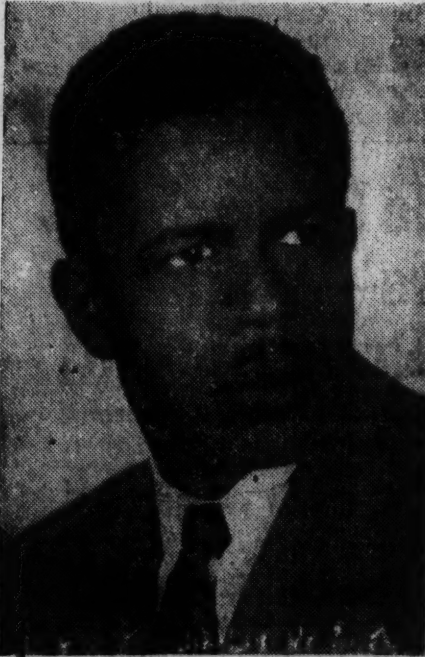
William H. Sullivan, Sr. Dies After Brief Illness

Daily World
By JOEL W. SMITH
William Henry Sullivan, Sr., employment interviewer, died early Sunday morning at a local hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Sullivan, who lived at 151 Rockmart Dr., S.W., was in his 14th year as an employment interviewer of the Georgia Department of Labor, Employment Security Agency, Employment Service. He joined the agency in October, 1945, when it was operated by the United States Employment Service. Before taking over this position, he was a teacher at Washington High School.

He entered the hospital two months ago for a routine medical check-up, was released a month later to return periodically for additional medical care. He was hospitalized again when his condition became more serious. Although gravely ill for the past two weeks, he remained conscious to the end.

NATIVE ATLANTIAN
The well-known employment interviewer was born in Atlanta, and after spending his early childhood in West Palm Beach, Fla., returned to Atlanta to live with an aunt, Mrs. Daisy Harris, 117 Bon Air St., S.W., and completed his high school education at Booker T. Washington High School.



WILLIAM H. SULLIVAN, SR.

A graduate of Morehouse College with a major in Business Administration, he continued his studies at Atlanta University and served in

the United States Army during World War II.

In 1946 he married the former Miss Thelma Beavers and to this union was born twin sons, William H., Jr., and Michael Jon; and a daughter, Sheila Karen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

He was an active and faithful member of Providence Baptist Church for years. During recent years he was also a member and an associate teacher of the T. A. Chambliss Bible Class, at St. Paul A.M.E. Church.

In addition to his regular duties with the Georgia Employment Security Agency, Mr. Sullivan had three avocations, devoting part-time to bookkeeping for several small business firms and also worked as a real estate salesman and income tax consultant.

At intervals, he demonstrated his talent in commercial art by drawing various designs and illustrations. At one time, he designed the front cover and made illustrations for "The Torch," a publication of the Georgia Chapter of the International Association of Personnel in Employment Security.

A recipient of the coveted Eagle Bronze Palm during his youth, Mr. Sullivan was also active in Scouting, serving as chairman of Activities of the John Hope Division, Boy Scouts of America. He also served as general chairman of the Scouters Exposition.

He was also a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the W. C. Thomas Lodge No. 122 of the Masons, and Nabbar Temple No. 128 of the Shrine.

"Rocky," as he was affectionately known by his relatives, many friends and old Army buddies, was also a great lover of sports. He devoted much of his time to all of the sports, particularly boxing, and was an authority on the fistic art.

Funeral plans will be announced by Sellers Brothers Funeral Home.

MRS. CARRIE CHIVERS

Morehouse Professor Dies Enroute From Grocer Here

A well-known marriage counselor and assistant professor of sociology at Atlanta's Morehouse College was found dead Friday afternoon by a woman pedestrian.



MRS. CARRIE CHIVERS

The body was immediately identified through personal effects as Mrs. Carrie Chivers, 46, of 863 St. A. W. She was found dead near Webster Ave. with a bundle of groceries in her arms. It was believed that Mrs. Chivers was apparently returning from a shopping trip when she succumbed.

The Grady Hospital doctor who pronounced her dead on the scene reportedly said he thought she probably died from a stroke.

Her husband, Dr. Walter R. Chivers, also a sociology professor at Morehouse College, said late Friday afternoon that no funeral arrangements had been planned and that it would probably be Monday or Tuesday before definite plans for funeralizing his wife would be prepared.

Mrs. Chivers had taught at Morehouse College for approximately 11 years according to her husband. She was a member of the St. Paul Episcopal Church.

She was also known for her activity as co-director, with her husband, of a marriage counselling service in Atlanta during the summer months each year.

Mrs. Annie Croom Wilcox County Supervisor, Dies

CORDELE, Ga. Mrs. Annie M. Croom, of Cordele, Georgia, and Jeanes Supervisor of Wilcox County Schools, succumbed Wednesday, Morning, Sept. 16, while attending her duties at Neapolis Street Elementary School, Abbeville, Georgia.

She received her early education at the former American Institute, Americus, Georgia, Spelman Seminary, and Atlanta University.

For her life's work, she was well known throughout the State of Georgia as an educator and religious leader.

During her career as teacher, she held employment in the Atlanta Public Schools, G. C. & W. Institute, Fitzgerald, Georgia, Georgia Baptist College, Macon, Georgia, Gillespie Selden Institute, Cordele, Georgia, Georgia Normal & Industrial College, Albany, Georgia, Dooley, Haralson, Turner and Wilcox counties.

She is survived by members of her immediate family, Jesse Croom, husband, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Croom, Son and daughter-in law, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Aunt, Thomas J. Croom, Jr., Horatius H. Croom, Rudolph G. Croom, grandsons, Wanda Lynn A. Croom, granddaughter, all of Cordele, Georgia. M-Sgt. and Mrs. Joseph H. Twitty, Daughter and son-in-law of Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh H. Merritt, Nephew and neice of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Sylvia Rhodes, Atlanta, Georgia, Mrs. Lizzie Boston, Perry, Florida, Mrs. Posing Williams, Vienna, Ga., and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral rites will be held Sunday, Sept. 20, 3 P. M. at the Mt. Zion First Baptist Church, Cordele.

Rites Today For Mrs. H. A. Whiting Retired Teacher

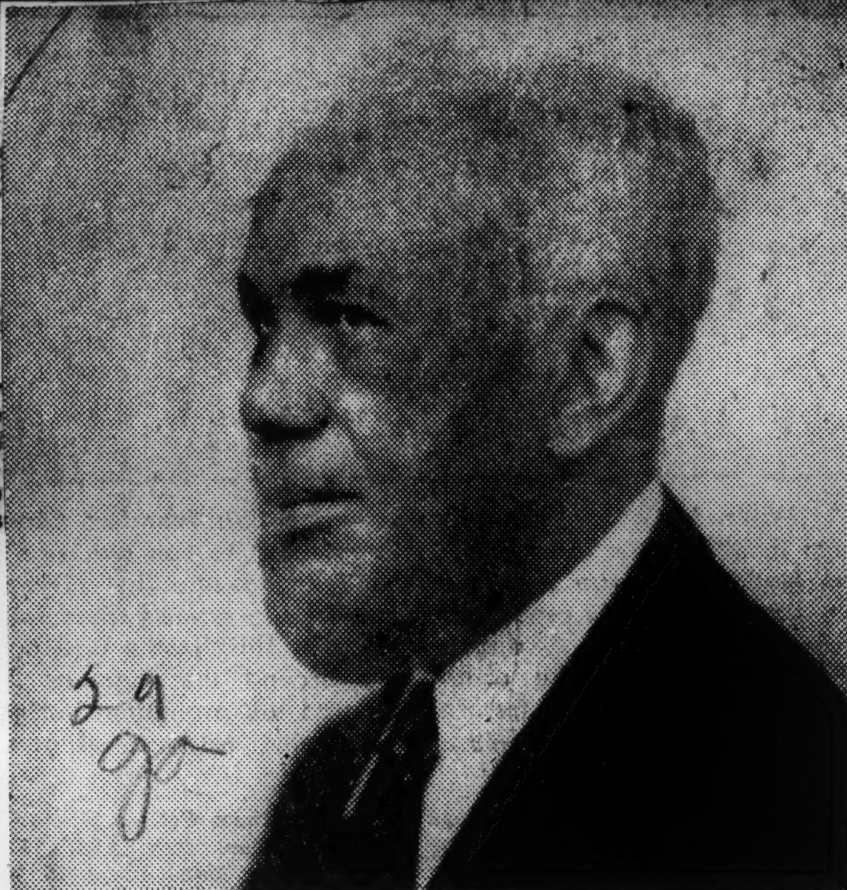
Mrs. Helen A. Whiting, retired Atlanta educator, will be funeralized this morning.

Mrs. Whiting, who retired a few years ago as a supervisor with the Georgia Department of Education, had served as a teacher at Atlanta University, Tuskegee Institute among other institutions. She was the author of several books and tracts.

The wife of J. M. Whiting, a retired Morehouse College teacher of 61 New Castle St., S. W., Mrs. Whiting passed Wednesday morning at their home after having become ill Tuesday night.

Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock from the Ivey Brothers Chapel, with the Rev. Samuel W. Williams officiating. Interment will be in South View Cemetery.

Called "Mother" by many of the students she shepherded and guided throughout her educational career, she was sought by school and foundation sources for service of many kinds during her retirement. A few weeks ago two Atlanta student won worldwide recognition through her guidance.



DR. A. S. CLARKE

Final Rites Held For Dr. Clarke In Cordele

ALBANY, Ga. (SNS) —

Final rites for Dr. A. S. Clarke, retired pastor and educator, who died Tuesday in the Crisp County Hospital, Cordele, was held Sunday afternoon, August 2nd at the St. Paul Presbyterian Church with Dr. Clarke representing the Board of National Mission of the Presbyterian Church officiating.

Dr. Clarke and his wife founded Gillespie Selden Institute in Cordele in 1902 and they served the school until their retirement in 1941. His wife died in 1951.

Dr. Clarke came to Cordele in 1898 at the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church. He served as pastor of the St. Paul Presbyterian Church in Cordele.

Dr. Clarke and Dr. J. W. Holley were great friends and known throughout the country for their work in Education and the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Clarke is a native of North Carolina. He attended Lincoln University in Pennsylvania and received his A. B. Degree in 1894. He completed three years of Theological Study at the University in 1897 and was awarded the M. A. Degree. He received an honorary Doctorate

Degree from Lincoln University.

Dr. Clarke was an excellent speaker and orator. He was an Honorary Member of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church and at the time of his death was pastor-emeritus of St. Paul Presbyterian Church in Cordele.

The body was at the church from 12 noon until the hour of service where hundreds of friends passed and viewed the remains. J. W. Williams Funeral Directors of Cordele was in charge of arrangements.

Crisp County's new Negro High School is named the A. S. Clarke School for the noted Educator.

NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN OFFICIAL

Rites Sunday For Cordele's Clark

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CORDELE, Ga. — And 83-year-old Cordele, Ga., retired pastor and educator will be funeralized at 4 p. m. Sunday at St. Paul Presbyterian Church with a representative of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church officiating.

Daily World
The funeral services for Dr. A. S. Clark who died Tuesday in the Crisp County Hospital, will be held at the church where he served as pastor for some time. Officiating will be Dr. Barber.

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The body will lie in state at the church from 12 noon until the hour of the services, according to the Williams Funeral Directors, Atlanta, Ga.

Atlanta, Ga.
A North Carolina native, Dr. Clark came to Cordele in 1898 at the request of the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

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Dr. Clark received his A. B. degree in 1894 from Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. He completed three years of theological study at the university in 1897 and was awarded his M. A. degree. He received an honorary doctorate degree from Lincoln University. He and his wife founded Gillespie Selden Institute in Cordele in 1903 and they served the school until their retirement in 1951. His wife died in 1951.

Crisp County's new Negro high school was named the A. S. Clark school for the educator. At the time of his death, Clark was pastor emeritus of St. Paul Presbyterian Church in Cordele and an honorary member of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Williams, Former Chief Of Gov. Printing Office Here, Dies

Daily World
Atlanta, Ga.
The Rev. Horace Williams, a former head of the United States Government Printing Office in Atlanta, died Tuesday at his Rockwell Street home. He had spent his last years in retirement from Government service.

The Rev. Williams came to Atlanta in the early 1880's under a federal appointment from President Benjamin Harrison as a government printer in the Atlanta Federal Building. Until his retirement a few years ago, he worked in the printing of government publications, such as Postal General Orders, Railway Mail Letter Slips, federal government stationary letterheads and many other forms requiring accuracy and precision.

Born near Opelika, Ala., over 90 years ago, Mr. Williams educated himself. As a young farm boy, he attracted the attention of the white publisher of a weekly newspaper of his home county, being allowed years he set by hand the type for to learn the printing trade. For the town and county newspaper. The publisher was so impressed by his skill that when an opening came in the Atlanta printing office of the U. S. Government he assisted Williams in securing the appointment. The job was held for some 40 years.

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Rev. Williams was ordained in the Methodist ministry in his early twenties, and pastored several influential churches in and around Atlanta, along with his Government work.

His wife, the former Miss Louise Elizabeth Thomas, preceded Rev. Mr. Williams in death by exactly one year and one month. Other survivors include three sons, Terrell, Horace Jr., and Marshall Williams; five daughters, Mrs. Mabel Adams, Mrs. Louis Matthews, Mrs.

Sp. 1-59
Ruth Gaither, Mrs. Nellie Waller and Mrs. Helen Davis, several grandchildren, including the Rev. Laurence Williams, Claude and Janet Dunson, and many other relatives.

Rites For Mrs. Frazier, 100-Year-Old Atlantan, Scheduled For Thursday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Florence Frazier, 100-year-old resident of 192 Ashby Street NW., will be conducted from her residence, Thursday, Jan. 22, at 1 p. m.

Mrs. Frazier succumbed Tuesday at 9:15 p. m. Eulogy for the aged woman will be delivered by the Rev. Homer C. McAllen at private services to be attended by close relatives and friends.

The deceased is survived by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Martin, Atlanta; Mrs. Madeline Rose Martin, New York City; and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy DeLoe of Marietta.

Mrs. Frazier was in 1887 graduate of Atlanta University. A well-known educator, she taught at Atlanta University, Cotton Valley and Morris Brown.

Interment following Thursday's rites will be held at Southview Cemetery.

Miss Maggie Perry's Brother Dies At Social Circle Home

SOCIAL CIRCLE, Ga. — As quietly and as modestly as he had lived a useful and well spent life, death came to William Paul Perry, Wednesday, Jan. 28 at his farm home on the outskirts of Social Circle, Ga.

Mr. Perry's passing brought deep regret and throughout the area citizens immediately gave testimonial praises his worth and contribution to his community, county, state and the nation.

As a farmer, a worthy citizen and a social and community factor, Mr. Perry was the only surviving brother of Miss Maggie Perry, retired supervisor of Negro Schools in Fulton County.

Mr. Perry was among the early landowners of his county and by sheer thrift and push demonstrated that there was more in the man than the land. With his ingenuity and industry he was able to acquire farm land in the early stages of Negro advancement in the rural area.

Mr. Perry remained active and enjoyed the work and life of his farm until he underwent an operation last August. His strong courage and native knack, however kept the spark of life burning about the old altars of faith and consolation.

He was married to the former Miss Anna Strong of Covington and to this union were born seven children, six of whom survive him. In addition to his sister, Miss Maggie Perry of Atlanta and his widow, other immediate survivors include six daughters: Mrs. C. A. Scott, the wife of the editor of the Atlanta Daily World; Mrs. Daniel Young of Young's Funeral Home of Monroe; Mrs. T. R. Starr of the Fulton County School System; Mrs. Leonard Williams of the Atlanta Public School System; Mrs. M. M. Turner, wife of the presiding elder of the Waycross district of the AME Church and Mrs. Ariel Strong of the Johnson Publishing Company of Chicago. Two other sisters, Miss Addie Perry of Atlanta and Mrs. Mamie DePrad of Chicago also survive.

Among the grand-children who survive Mr. Perry are: Jocelyn P. Scott, Portia A. Scott, Ariel Florence Young, Daniel Young, Jr., Maceo Turner, Jr., and Cornelius A. Turner.

During his entire adult life Mr. Perry took interest in the general community, Newton and Walton

Counties, where he was well known and liked by his fellow citizens. He was considered a successful farmer, having sent to college all his children.

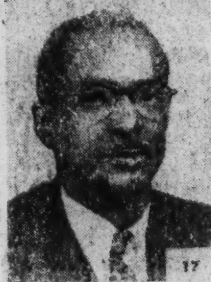
Funeral services will be held at the Perry residence in Social Circle Friday at 11 a. m. and burial will take place in the family plot at Social Circle.

Rites Friday For E. J. Granberry, G.T.E.A. Officer

Professor E. J. Granberry, teacher at the Albany State College and long time teacher in the state of Georgia, died Friday, February 13.

Mr. Granberry was an officer in the Georgia Teachers and Education Association for more than 25 years. He served in the following capacities: as director of Region 9; as vice president of the State Teachers Association; chairman of the Board of Trustees; chairman of the Budget Committee and as chairman of the Resolutions Committee. No other person in history of the association has served in as many capacities.

Mr. Granberry served as classroom teacher and principal in the public schools of Florida and Georgia and as director of the Department of Education at Albany State College. His last administrative position was as director of Teacher Education at Albany State College. He was a grand old man of more than 10,000 teachers; members of the Georgia Teachers and Education Association. A great teacher, a friend of students and a leader for more than 30 years of education in Georgia.



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His funeral will be held Friday, Hamilton until she married. Her husband had been a professional florist, serving a downtown shop. Her shop was formerly located next door to where the Royal Theatre is located.

Rites Saturday For J. F. Collier, Lodge Organizer

Mr. James F. Collier, Sr., of 484 Stephens Street, S.W., died Wednesday in an Atlanta hospital. He was one of the organizers of Progress Lodge No. 2, the local branch of the Brotherhood Railway Car-men of America. For several years he has served as the local chairman and recording secretary. In this capacity he was the only authorized Negro delegate to the National Conventions.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Pauline Collier; two sons, James F. Collier, Jr., El Centro, Calif., and Albert J. Collier; three daughters Mrs. Viola Stinchcomb, Mrs. Mildred Bufse of Atlanta, and Dr. Juanita Collier, Detroit, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Bertha Bowman, Madison, Ga.; one brother, W. A. Collier, Macon, Ga., and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Zion Hill Baptist Church Saturday, February 23, at 2 p. m., Rev. L. M. Terrill, officiating. Interment South View Cemetery. Sellers Bros. Funeral Home in charge.

Mrs. Sansom Auburn Florist Dies Friday

Mrs. Jennie F. Sansom, who operated a flower shop on Auburn Avenue for many years, died early Friday at Hughes Spalding Pavilion following an illness of approximately one week.

Mrs. Sansom, who operated the Sansom Flower Shop for nearly 40 years, had not been known to be in ill health prior to the recent sickness. She had continued to operate the shop after the death of her husband, J. J. Sansom in October, 1957.

Mrs. Sansom was born in Charleston, S. C., but came to Atlanta where she lived with Dr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Sansom was a member of the First Congregational Church.

She is survived by a son, Joe Sansom, a niece, Mrs. Jennie Hubbard, and a brother, Joseph Haynes of Atlantic City.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Home Builder Porter Dies Early Monday

A prominent Atlanta land developer and home builder died at his home early Monday morning, reportedly from the after effects of an undisclosed illness.

Edward Porter, 59, of 150 Florida Ave., S. W., died at 5 a. m., Monday morning, according to reports of a friend of the family.

Porter was well-known throughout the city for his efforts in building houses and developing lands on Collier Rd., and on Porter Dr., which bears his name.

A complete listings of details of funeral arrangements for Porter was not immediately available, however, a spokesman at Sellers Bros., Funeral Home said tentative plans list the site of the funeral as West Hunter Baptist Church at an, as yet, unconfirmed time Thursday afternoon.

Porter was a member of the Allen Temple Methodist Church and he is survived by a wife, Mrs. Martha Porter. A further listing of relatives and survivors will be available at a later date.

Rites Slated Today For Mr. McBride, Well Known Churchman And Retired Business Man

Henry M. McBride, a retired insurance agent of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company and an active member of Big Bethel church, died Thursday in a hospital at the age of 78.

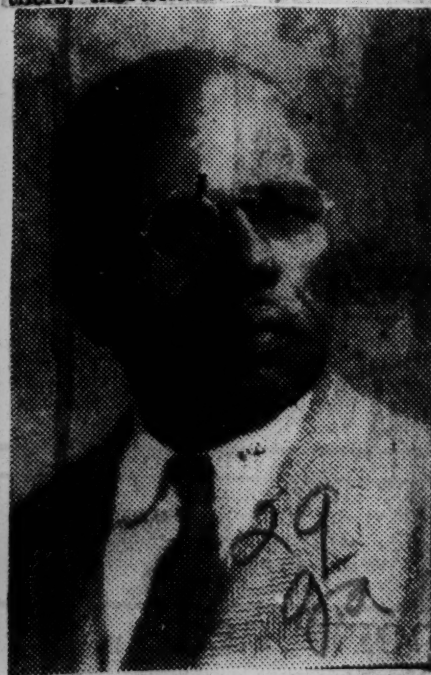
Born in Milwaukee, Wis., Mr. McBride came to Atlanta about 47 years ago. He worked at North Carolina Mutual Insurance Company for a year or more then joined the Atlanta Life Insurance Company for 35 years or more until he retired.

Mr. McBride was a member of Big Bethel A.M.E. church where he was active for many years in the choir and various other positions.

He was a 1910 graduate of Tuskegee Institute, also a member of the St. James Lodge of Masons.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. H. Estelle Wilson of Chicago, Illinois; Mrs. Johnnie Johnson, of Milwaukee, Wis., and three grandchildren, Venetia, Shelia Ann and Lawrence Wilson and a host of friends.

Final rites will be held this Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m. from Big Bethel A. M. E. Church, with the Rev. H. I. Bearden, Rev. Homer C. McEwen, officiating. St. James Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M. and the Independent Daughters of Bethel Society will also officiate. Burial will be on family lot in South View Cemetery under the direction of Cox Brothers, morticians.



MR. HENRY M. MCBRIDE

Mary Ida Ellsberry

The accidental death of Madam Mary Ida Ellsberry, long-time resident of West End Street is generally deplored. For many years, the deceased was an outstanding community factor, secret order leader and ardent church worker.

Having lived almost 90 years, the days of her early life are little known to this generation but, older citizens well recall the days when Mary Ida Ellsberry held key places in the community growth and activities.

Passing now at the age of 87 from an automobile accident as she was crossing the street, would be one of the strange visitations of fate upon one who well remembers when the first automobile came to Atlanta.

One by one the golden circle is broken and soon the short thin line of the pioneers — will be as yesterdays.

Her family and friends are accorded this token of sympathy to one who, by reasonable strength, was able to go far beyond the allotted three-score and ten.

"They softly lie and sweetly sleep, slow in the ground."

LUCY MASON DEAD

EX-C. I. O. AIDE, 77

New York

Publicity Official in South, a

Descendant of Lee, Fought

for Rights of Labor

ATLANTA, May 6 (AP)—

Miss Lucy Randolph Mason,

Southeastern public re-

lations officer for the Congress

of Industrial Organizations,

died tonight at the age of 77.

Miss Mason came to Atlanta

from New York twenty-five

years ago. She was asked by

John L. Lewis, president of the

C. I. O., to become a public re-

lations officer with his organi-

zation in the Southeast and she

filled here in that capacity for

seventeen years.

Her autobiography, "To Win

These Rights," was published

in 1952.

She was To Police Chiefs

A tall, white-haired, be-

speaking woman, Miss Mason

had been an ace trouble-shooter

in Operation Dixie, as the

to step in when a police officer frage, campaigned against child labor and agitated for workmen's compensation, industrial safety devices and shorter working hours.

In 1932 Miss Mason was named general secretary of the National Consumers League. She fought nationally for Federal wage and hour laws, social security and other measures enacted by the Roosevelt Administration.

A frequent lecturer, Miss Mason was often called to Washington for advice and aid in solving social welfare problems. When the C. I. O. was formed, she found its program in line with her goals for labor and later jumped at the chance to contend with her "own people" for labor's rights.

Miss Mason, whose forebears included Robert E. Lee, George Mason, author of Virginia's Bill of Rights, and John Marshall, first chief justice of the United States, was born in an Episcopal family in Fairfax County, Va.

Her father, the Rev. Landen Mason, set her an example of service by carrying coal on his back for families in the winter.

Miss Mason took a school class in a Richmond mission. Most members were young girls who worked in tobacco fields. A year later she went to work as a stenographer with a law firm.

At about that time, Miss Mason decided to make a career of improving conditions of workers. She became the first industrial secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association in Richmond, helped found the League of Women Voters, pressed for woman suf-

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RETIREES AT 57, FELLED BY ILLNESS

Coast Guard Journalist Chief Alex Hanley, retired June 3 after completing 26 years of service. Five days later, the public relations expert, who saw action in both the Atlantic and South Pacific during World War II, suffered a lung collapse while vacationing in New York. Author of many articles which have appeared in national magazines including Atlantic Monthly, Harper's, McCall's, and Reader's Digest, he received emergency surgery at U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, Staten Island. Upon retirement, he served in the press and public relations journal in the San Francisco area.

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mon, teacher at Spelman College, three grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete Wednesday, pending the return from Chicago of E. L. Simon Jr., who was presiding over sessions of the National Insurance Association, of which he was president.

E. L. Simon, Sr., Passes At Home

82-year-old widely known Atlantan was dead Wednesday, following lengthy illness at his 60 Martin Avenue, S. E. home. He passed there Tuesday night.

Mr. Simon had engaged in a number of professions during his useful lifetime, including being a school teacher, contractor, printer and real estate agent. A graduate of Atlanta University and student of old Clark University, he once taught printing at Howard University as well as woodwork at Atlanta's Booker T. Washington High School.

His survivors include two sons and a daughter, E. L. Simon Jr., agency director of Atlanta Life Insurance Company; Robert L. Simon, superintendent of John Egan Homes, and Miss Marguerite Si-

George Padmore, architect of African freedom, dead at 56

By B. M. PHILLIPS

George Padmore, brilliant writer and devoted leader of the cause of African freedom, is dead at the age of 56. His body was cremated in London and the ashes flown to Ghana for burial on Oct. 4.

During World War II this writer was accredited a war correspondent, the first woman war correspondent for a weekly newspaper. We arrived in London the same day the famed V2 bombs hit the English capital.

The day after arrival, we were stricken with a strange illness and ended up "covering the war" from several Army hospitals.

The same day we entered a hospital near London, a visitor came to call, inquiring whether he could be of service to the "woman writer just ovah from the States."

He had a precise English accent, was tall, dark and well-groomed, and had a gentlemanly manner. He identified himself as George Padmore.

FREQUENTLY, while we were abroad for that brief period, he sent good wishes and inquired about AFRO staffers whom he had come to know by reading our columns and contributing articles to this newspaper.

Since the war, Mr. Padmore has moved on to higher places. At the time of his death, he was chief advisor to Ghana Prime Minister Nkrumah.

Mr. Padmore was a native of the West Indies, son of a Trinidad biologist. He came to the states, studied at Fisk University and finished the Howard University Law School.

Then, at age 26, he joined the Communist Party, was the first worker trained at the New York Workers' School, and became the first salaried employee.

He worked and lived in Germany, London and Russia.

IN MOSCOW, he was made a Red Army colonel, and headed the African Bureau of the Comintern with a staff of several hundred.

But he soon broke with the Communist Party over its treatment of African leaders.

He wrote the AFRO at the time: "The Communists have sold out the Africans in order to win the support of England and France in the League of Nations," and he added, that colored people "who display courage, initiative and intellectual capacities are being systematically reduced to the status of marionettes. Only yes men are tolerated."

Then he moved to Germany, but Hitler deported him to England. The America where he went to school denied him a visa to return to the states.

So, he spent most of his adult years espousing the cause of decolonization of Africa.

ONE WRITER, Russell Howe says "with the decolonization of Africa going ahead faster than anybody thought possible ten years ago, the man who did more than anyone else to make it all inevitable, died last month in a London hospital."

"Without George Padmore, Ghana Premier Nkrumah's bitterly, brilliant advisor on African affairs, decolonization would still have come, but almost certainly not as quickly."

It is Mr. Howe who gives Mr. Padmore credit for inventing the word, "Pan-Africanism," and says that Nkrumah, East Nigeria's Azikiwe, Kenya's Tom Mboya and other African premiers speak of him as "their mentor."

AFTER THE WAR, Mr. Padmore organized the Pan African Congresses in Manchester along with Nkrumah and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, who recalls that it was Mr. Padmore who was "the inspiration and real organizer of the conference and the man who picked Nkrumah for leadership and groomed him for the job."

"He devoted his entire life to the cause of African freedom. He worked as a journalist and collected a remarkable library of books and newspaper clippings which formed the basis of his research for some of the best books ever written on

British colonialism, especially in Africa. His last work was 'Africa, Britain's Third Empire'."

Dr. DuBois, now 91, adds: "He was a brilliant and devoted man. His death is a warning to the middle-aged. Watch your health, save your strength."

"Today, as never before, the colored people need their leaders, particularly men of experience and learning like George Padmore."

Of Mr. Padmore's death, Liberia's President William Tubman said: "He was an outstanding champion of African freedom. His death is keenly felt in Liberia."

PRIME MINISTER Krumah of Ghana said: "For nearly two years George Padmore was my



GEORGE PADMORE
"A brilliant and devoted man"

close comrade, advisor on African affairs and above all a personal friend. . . .

"It has been my good fortune to know George Padmore intimately and to work with him for a long period of nearly 15 years."

"From the very beginning, I

was impressed with his indomitable spirit and his profound dislike for colonialism and every kind of oppression and subjugation.

"George Padmore was, in my view, one of the greatest fighters against Colonialism of our modern times."

"His numerous books and pamphlets on political, and especially African affairs, will remain an everlasting monument to him and constant inspiration to those of us who are still left to continue the fight."

THE NKRUMAH statement added:

"All fighters for freedom in Africa have indeed lost a wise counsellor. I, for myself, mourn for the loss of a sincere and loyal comrade in arms. The blow indeed is great."

"...It is sad to think that George has left us at a time when we need his services most in the great fight in which we of our generation are engaged for independence and unity of the African continent and peoples. Nevertheless, we who knew him can be proud of his great contribution to the cause."

"One day, the whole of Africa will surely be free and united. When the final tale is told the significance of George Padmore's work will be revealed."

DR. VINCENT DIES, EX-HAITI LEADER

President in 1930-41 Won
Removal of U. S. Marines

—Lawyer and Journalist

New York Times
Special to The New York Times.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti

Sept. 3—Dr. Stenio Vincent,

President of Haiti from 1930

until 1941, died here today at

Canape Vert Hospital. He was

believed to be in his early

eighties. *Dr. 9-4-59.*

A political writer who became

blind shortly after leaving the

Presidency, Dr. Vincent was re-

ported last month to have mar-

ried a widow, Mme. Maurice

Etienne, who had been taking

care of him. Relatives recently

made a public denial of the mar-

riage. *Dr. 9-4-59.*

Dr. Vincent will be given a

national funeral beginning at 9

A. M. tomorrow at the Roman

Catholic Cathedral of Notre

Dame. The chief justice, mem-

bers of the National Assembly

and the Chief of Staff of the

Haitian armed forces, Gen.

Pierre Merceron, will attend.

Three days of national mourning

were decreed.

Opposed U. S. Intervention

Dr. Vincent was a member of

the educated minority of Hai-

tians who opposed the interven-

tion by United States Marines

in Haiti in 1915.

A lawyer, journalist and schol-

ar, he had served his country as

a diplomat in Paris, Berlin and

at The Hague. Though he was

early regarded as an "anti-

American" nationalist, he was

not looked upon as an extremist.

The Marines were landed in

Haiti to establish political order

after a period of revolutionary

excesses. They remained for

nineteen years. During that peri-

od of intervention many reforms

were effected in such areas as

finance, education, road build-

ing and internal security.

However, many liberals in this

country as well as in Haiti re-

garded the presence of the Ma-

lines as an expression of Amer-

ican imperialism.

Dr. Vincent was one of three

members of the Patriotic

Widely respected and popu-
lar among Haitians, Dr. Vincent
was elected President of the Re-
public in 1930 for a six-year
term. The office of American
High Commissioner, which had
been established in 1922 by
President Harding, was abol-
ished. Haiti was given practical
autonomy.

Went To Washington

In March, 1934, President
Vincent went to Washington to
try to persuade President
Franklin D. Roosevelt to with-
draw the Marines. He suc-
ceeded.

President Roosevelt visited
Haiti in July of that year and
joined with President Vincent
in a toast to complete inde-
pendent relations between the
two republics. The next month,
the Marines were evacuated
from Haiti in an atmosphere
of goodwill toward this country.

In 1937, after many Haitians
had been killed in border fight-
ing with forces of the neighbor-
ing Dominican Republic, there
were reports that President
Vincent's popularity had begun
to wane among his supporters.
Some critics argued that he was
in league with President Rafael
Leonidas Trujillo, the Domini-
can dictator.

Two years later, President
Vincent had a third meeting
with President Roosevelt. The
Haitian leader went to Wash-
ington to discuss greater eco-
nomic collaboration between the
two countries.

President Vincent, whose orig-
inal six-year term in office had
been extended for an additional
five years by a plebiscite in
1935, was endorsed for a second
five-year extension in office by
the Haitian Chamber of Depu-
ties in March, 1941.

A resolution adopted unani-
mously in the chamber praised
President Vincent for his work
of "constructive reform" and
for his Government's interna-
tional policy in inter-American
cooperation.

However, the next month
President Vincent announced
that he would not agree to pro-
long his term for another five
years. He said that the condi-
tion of his health would not
permit him to remain in office.

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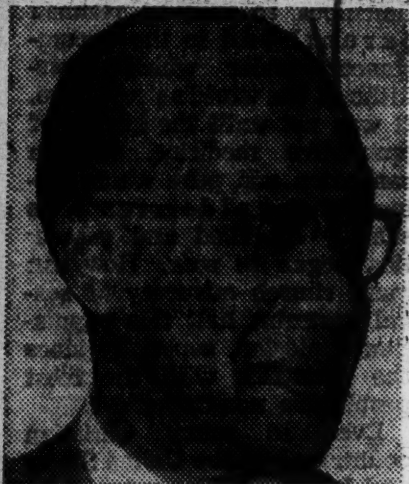
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Judge Green, 72, Buried in Chicago

By TED WATSON

CHICAGO—Requiem mass was held for Judge Wendell E. Green, 72, the first Negro to occupy the Circuit Court bench in the state of Illinois on Thursday. Judge Green died in his South Side home after a long illness.

The son of an Episcopal priest, Judge Green had been a resident



JUDGE WENDELL GREEN

... passes on

of Chicago since 1916. His mother, Mrs. Mary Rucker Green, was the first Negro social worker to be employed in Kansas City, Kan.

Judge Green was first elected to the Municipal Court bench in 1942 and was re-elected in 1946. In 1950 he was appointed by former Governor Adlai Stevenson to fill a vacancy on the Circuit Court bench and was elected to serve a six-year term in Circuit Court in 1951. He was re-elected in 1957.

THE FAMOUS JUDGE was a member of the Chicago (Cook County) and American Bar Associations and was one of the founders of the National Bar Association. He was a member of the YMCA and served on the board of managers of the Wash and Washington Park branches for years. He was a board member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the American Judicature Society.

Born in Topeka, Kan., he was

educated in public schools there and after coming to Chicago he entered the University of Chicago, where he completed his law course in June, 1921. He was admitted to the bar that same year.

Judge Green received many extraordinary honors. The universities where he had been educated conferred honors upon him—the University of Kansas in 1957 and University of Chicago in 1958.

The mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Harry Sterling and was followed by interment in Burr Oak Cemetery. Surviving are his widow, Lorraine; a brother, Elmer L., of Los Angeles, and other relatives.

ILLINOIS

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Dr. Giles was a charter member of the Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the Assembly Club, and was president of the Arabs Club at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, Gladys, a daughter, two grandchildren, two brothers, a sister and six cousins.

Archie L. Weaver, NAACP figure, dies

CHICAGO — Funeral services were held last Monday in Berean Baptist Church here for Archie L. Weaver, last living charter member of the Chicago Chapter NAACP.

Services for the 74-year-old civic leader were conducted by the Rev. D. C. L. Bradshaw with the eulogy delivered by the Rev. Howard Weaver, a relative.

A Chicago civic leader since 1900, Mr. Weaver retired from the postal service more than

40 years ago to join the staff of a Southside bank.

HE WAS ONE-TIME president of the Phalanx Club, the Second Ward Improvement Association and a Mason.

For "meritorious and unprecedented service," Mr. Weaver was cited with a bronze plaque in 1954 at the 14th annual NAACP tea.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mamie Weaver, three daughters, by a previous marriage, Mrs. Catherine Dixon, Mrs. Helen Ford and Mrs. Lena Rucker; a brother, William Burton of Benton Harbor, Mich.

A sister, Mrs. Myrle B. Story of Atlantic City, N.J. seven grandsons and six great-grandchildren.

Hold Funeral Services for Chicago M.D.

CHICAGO — Funeral services for Dr. N. Alfred Diggs, distinguished physician and surgeon, were held at Pilgrim Baptist Church with the Rev. J. C. Austin delivering the eulogy.

Dr. Diggs had been a staff member of Provident Hospital for 27 years.

His death was the result of a stroke suffered June 20, while at his office.

BORN IN Greenfield, Miss., Dr. Diggs was educated in that city's public schools and at Alcorn College, University of Michigan and Meharry Medical College.

He taught pharmacy at Meharry while studying for his medical degree.

In 1949, he was appointed physician for the Illinois State Athletic Commission, and held that post until his death.

He was a member of the Cook



Dr. Diggs

County Physicians Association, National Medical Society, Prairie State Medical Association, Chicago Medical Society and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He was a past basileus of Omega Psi Phi and a member of the original Forty Club.

He is survived by his widow, Varrie; two daughters, Vivian Alfreda and Virginia Lorraine; a brother, George, of Kansas City, Mo.; cousins, Cong. Charles Diggs Jr., and Charles Diggs Sr., of Detroit, Mich.

Archie L. Weaver Succumbs At 74

By THEODORE CHARLES STONE

Archie L. Weaver, 74, civic leader in Chicago since the early 1900's and one of the founders of the Chicago Branch of the NAACP died in his home while asleep, Tuesday morning.

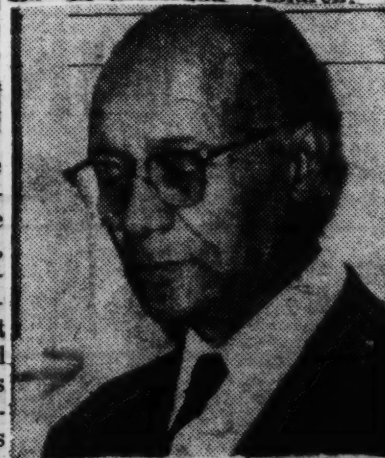
As a life member and the last surviving charter member of the local NAACP chapter, Weaver was active in the work of the organization since it was founded here in 1910.

He served in the capacity of secretary-treasurer for more than 30 years and when the Chicago Branch was first organized his home was the only office the organization knew. He lived at 3655 S. Prairie ave.

A former government employee Weaver retired from the postal service approximately 20 years ago, and joined the staff of the South Side Bank and Trust Company as a clerical relations aide.

Weaver was president of the United Retired Government Employee's Club, a founder and life president of the Phalanx club, president of the Second Ward Improvement Association, and special D.D. Grand Master of Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Illinois. A member of Mt. Hebron Lodge, No. 29, Weaver was one of Chicago's most active men.

Weaver was cited for meritorious and unprecedented services at the 14th Annual NAACP Tea held at the Parkway ballroom in Myrtle B. Story, Atlantic City, 1954. He was presented a bronze plaque on that occasion. The pre-



CAPT. ARCHIE L. WEAVER

Ralph Metcalfe's Father Buried in Chicago, Tuesday

CHICAGO — Last rites were held, Tuesday, for Major Clarence Metcalfe, 74, an assistant minister of West Side Church and father of Ralph H. Metcalfe, alderman of the Third Ward.

Services were held at Metropolitan Funeral Parlors, where the Rev. Richard C. Keller officiated.

The Rev. Mr. Metcalfe died in Michael Reese Hospital after a heart attack, according to reports. He had been a resident of Chicago since 1917.

A NATIVE of Atlanta, Ga., he was an active member of the American Woodmen. He was employed by Butler Brothers for many years and retired from that concern at 65 years of age.

The Rev. Mr. Metcalfe had been ill several years and had suffered two previous attacks.

He is survived by his widow, Effie Mae; son, Ralph; sister, Mrs. Georgia Ponden, of Los Angeles, and a grandson. Burial was made in Mount Glenwood Cemetery.

High Ranking Doctor Dies

CHICAGO — Rites for Dr. Nelson G. Glover, principal bacteriologist for the County Board of Health water laboratory, were held in St. Edmund Episcopal Church. Interment was made at Lincoln Cemetery.

Dr. Glover, 64, died in Billings Hospital after a long illness. He had entered the hospital shortly after the death of his wife.

A NATIVE OF Hot Springs, Ark., he was a graduate of Fisk University and Northwestern University's medical school. He came to this city in 1918, and was associated with the County Board for 34 years.

He was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the Assembly Club of Chicago, and the Druids.

Survivors include two step-sons, John and Harry Harris; a step-daughter, Marguerite Harris, and a brother, Rudolph.

On Circuit Court Bench In Chicago

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CHICAGO. — (ANP) — Judge Wendell Elbert Green, first Negro to sit on the Cook county circuit court bench, is dead at 72. In failing health for the past two years, Judge Green died Sunday, August 23, at his home of lung cancer.

Funeral services were held Thursday, August 27, at 10 a.m. at the St. Thomas Episcopal church, 38th and Wabash.

A Rosary service was held Wednesday night, August 26, at the A. A. Rayner Funeral home, 318 E. 71st St.

A native of Topeka, Kas., Judge Green received the pharmaceutical degree from the University of Kansas in 1908 and the bachelor of laws degree from the University of Chicago in 1920.

He began practicing law on his birthday, Jan. 1, 1921, and in 1942 was elected to the Municipal court bench. He was re-elected in 1946, carrying the endorsement of the Chicago Bar association, who rated him "exceptionally qualified."

Judge Green began his career of public service when he was appointed assistant public defender in 1930. Five years later, he was appointed to the civil service commission.

Gov. Adlai Stevenson appointed him to the circuit court in 1950 to fill a vacancy, and he was re-elected in 1951 and 1957. In 1957, the bar association gave him the highest score of any sitting judge.

One of the founders of the National Bar association, he was the first secretary of the organization, and also served as president, board of trustees, Provident hospital.

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If he had lived, he would have celebrated his 17th year on the bench in November.

An Episcopalian, Judge Green was vestryman of St. Thomas Episcopal church.

He is survived by his widow, Lorraine, a member of the board of education; and a brother, Elmer, Los Angeles. He was the son of the late William A. and Mary (Rucker) Green.

Judge Green was widely known in Kansas City and the Midwest. In 1910, in partnership with James W. Elliott, a K.U. pharmacy graduate of 1909, he opened a drug store in St. Joseph, Mo., at 10th and Francis Sts. In 1912, they moved to Kansas City, operating the Green and Elliott Pharmacy at 1520 N. 5th St. in Kansas City, Kas., for several years before Judge Green went to Chicago where he studied law.

Chicago burial for Mr. Van Zandt

Call
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CHICAGO. — Elliott Van Zandt, a standout athlete at Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute who later gained fame in Italy, was buried in Bur Oak Cemetery last week following services at Berean Baptist Church.

The 45-year-old Windy City native had been in Italy since the close of World War I. He returned to the country to accept a coaching position with the Italian Federation of Basketball.

Later, Mr. Van Zandt was a coach at the University of Milan. He then began his rise to fame as a trainer. He coached the national cage team and trained soccer, baseball, rugby and track stars.

He died en route to Chicago where he was coming to receive treatment for a kidney disorder.

Among his survivors are his divorced wife, mother, three sons, an uncle and an aunt.

Reuben Black, Veteran Insurance Man, Dies

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CHICAGO. — (ANP) — A healthy Chicagoan, Reuben Black died at Passavant Hospital, at the age of 73. A graduate of Howard University, he was secretary of the Fireside Mutual Insurance Company of Ohio. He is survived by a widow, Virginia, his mother, and one brother.

Rev. Joseph Clayton, 79, Retired Teacher, Buried

Funeral services were held last week for Rev. Joseph E. Clayton, 79, retired school teacher and father of the late Joseph E. Clayton, Jr., famed criminal lawyer, who died in 1958.

The rites were held in Metropolitan Funeral parlors, with Rev. Earle W. Fike, Jr. officiating.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Brittie Clayton; a daughter, Elizabeth C. Biles, grandson, Frank C. Cumpy, Jr., and two granddaughters, Frankie Elizabeth and Portia Cumpy.

Clayton was born in Ft. Bend County, Texas, in 1879 and attended high school in Houston. He was graduated from Guadalupe college in Seguin, Tex.

He and Mrs. Clayton were married on Dec. 27, 1899. Ironically, Rev. Clayton died Dec. 28, the day after his 59th wedding anniversary. The couple had four children, only one of whom is still living.

Clayton taught school in Bastrop County, Tex., for three years, before taking a similar position at Manor, Tex., where he taught for 20 years. He established the Clayton Vocational Institute at Manor, and subsequently was principal of a high school in Little Rock, Tex.

During World War I he was leader in the sale of Liberty bonds and was active in the government program to produce more food during the war years.

After retiring as a teacher he worked with the Southern Tenant Farmers union and assisted in colonizing 15,000 Negroes in East Texas in a mammoth farm ownership program.

In September of 1946 he joined the First Church of the Brethren in Chicago and was recognized as ordained minister.



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1,800 View Dr. Fonvielle's Body

DR. WILLIAM FONVIELLE

ROCKFORD, Ill. — Over 1,800 persons filed before the bier of Dr. William F. Fonvielle, 59, of 528 Howard ave., prominent physician and civic leader here who died Tuesday, Dec. 31.

Funeral services were held Saturday in Allen chapel AME church. He was buried in Greenwood cemetery. Dr. Fonvielle died in St. Anthony hospital following an attack at the Yellow Cab office where he was waiting for a taxi.

Dr. Fonvielle, a two Negro doctors in Rockford, had served as president for three years of the Booker T. Washington Community Center and also as secretary for a number of years. He was also a board member of the center where his body lay in state following his death.

Born July 18, 1899 in Mobile, Ala., the son of William and Bessie Fonvielle he migrated to Chicago 27 years ago and set up a medical practice.

Dr. Fonvielle was graduated from Talladega college, Howard university medical school in Washington, D. C. and the Chicago university.

He was a member of Elks lodge, IBPOE of W; Welcome Star Masonic lodge No. 36; Jefferson-Horton American Legion post; Winnebago County Medical society; and the Winnebago County Mental Health advisory group.

Survivors include his widow; a daughter, Yvonne, 21; a son, William and a brother Harold. of

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Mobile.

Out of town visitors attending Dr. Fonvielle's rites were: Rev. and Mrs. H. C. McDowell, Boston, Mass.; Floyd M. Brown, Kansas City, Mo.; Atty. Curtice Fonvielle McDowell, Chicago; Mrs. Amy Fonvielle Greer; Mrs. Carolyn Zolner, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Sailes and son, Mrs. Vera Guinn, Curtis Cowing, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Latham, Mrs. Marion Ivory, Mrs. Janet Harmon Bragg, Mrs. June Dilard, and Miss Yvonne Campbell and Nan Arrington, all of Chicago.

The Revs. W. J. Turner, E. H. E. Gilbert, Willard Southern and Alton Summers conducted the services.

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Atty. Loring B. Moore Dies In Car

Funeral Mass was said Saturday for Atty. Loring B. Moore, 66, of 8103 S. Langley, at St. Thomas Episcopal church, 3804 S. Wash.

He suffered the fatal attack last Monday while on his way home in his car on Cottage Grove ave. between 81st and 82nd streets and died before he could be taken to Jackson Park hospital.

A leader in the fight for civil rights, Atty. Moore was on the

executive committee of the Chicago branch of the NAACP. For 10 years he was chairman of the legal redress committee.

He was responsible for the successful handling of numerous restrictive covenant cases from 1937 to 1943. The most recent one was the Hansberry case, which was taken to the Supreme Court.



FUNERAL SERVICES for Atty. Loring B. Moore will be held Saturday, 10 a. m. at St. Thomas Episcopal church. Moore, a prominent attorney, civic leader and civil rights fighter, died suddenly Monday of a heart attack while on route home. He was one of the founders of the Service Federal Savings and Loan Association at 104 E. 51st st. There will be a service in Chicago.

During World War II, Atty. Moore served as attorney for the Midwest Negro Fair Employment Practice Committee. He was assistant general for the State of Illinois during the second

Born March 29, 1893 in Bruns-

ton, Ga. Atty. Moore graduated from Atlanta university in 1917. He received a bachelor of philosophy degree from the University of Chicago and a doctorate from the law school in 1923.

For a number of years he was with the Moore and Layton law firm, but in June 1951 he set up the firm of Moore, Ming and Layton where he was senior member.

One of the founders of Service Federal Savings and Loan Association, 104 E. 51st st., the civic leader served as general counsel from its inception.

Atty. Moore was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and a member of St. Thomas Episcopal church. During World War I he served as a second lieutenant with the 386th Infantry.

Survivors are his wife, Consue E.; a brother, David D., sr., three sisters, Olivia Clark, Margaret Smith of Youngstown, and Lila Brown of Brunswick, Ga.

George A. Lewis, Veteran Chicago Medic, Is Buried

CHICAGO. — (ANP) — Funeral services for Dr. George A. Lewis, 83, a physician here for more than 50 years, were held at Grace Presbyterian church last Friday. Dr. Lewis, an elder at the church for many years, died in his home earlier in the week.

A former pioneer physician in Texas, Dr. Lewis practiced for eight years in El Paso before coming to Chicago. The Texas town was then a wild border community and Dr. Lewis frequently carried a gun in addition to his doctor's bag.

In Chicago he was on the staff of the southside Provident hospital for many years. He also did research in neuritis, and was vice-president of the Prairie State Medical association.

He is survived by his widow, Pauline; two daughters, Mrs. Odessa L. White and Mrs. Margarita Winthrop, and a brother, Alfred.

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He was a native of Harveston, Tex., and after graduating from the Chicago Law School in 1925, began practice here in 1927.

During World War I he was a member of both the draft board and the rationing board.

Surviving is his wife, Mable. Burial was made at Lincoln Cemetery.

Blood Clot Fatal To Dr. Adams, Psychiatrist

CHICAGO. — (ANP) — Funeral heading its clinic for narcotics addiction since 1951.

services were held last Wednesday at St. Edmund's Episcopal church for Dr. Walter Anderson Adams, 58-year-old chief of the men's children and family division of the psychiatric medical council, a member of the psychiatric faculty of Chicago Medical school, and chairman of the hospital's division of psychiatry.

Dr. Adams, who died March 7, had undergone an operation at Michael Reese hospital the day before for removal of a blood clot on the brain. The clot apparently was the aftermath of a fall he suffered on the stairs of his home February 11.

Howard Grad

A graduate of Howard university's medical school where he received a B.S., in 1923 and M.D. in 1926, Dr. Adams was called the South Side's first trained Negro psychiatrist. He believed that dope is often linked to mental problems. With this uppermost in his mind, he treated addicts with the theory that the drug habit is a "historical accident in the life of an inadequate personality."

In 1931 he won a Rosenwald Fellowship and spent a year at Boston Psychopathic hospital studying clinical psychiatry. He practiced general medicine in Cleveland and became a member of Western Reserve university medical faculty.

He is survived by his widow, Osbeth, and a 14-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

Founded Clinic

He joined Provident's hospital staff in 1933 after six months as clinical director of Lakin State hospital, W. Va. He founded Provident hospital psychiatric division

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INDIANA

Obituaries

Mrs. Rosa L. Harmon

WASHINGTON, Ind. — Mrs. Rosa Lawhorn Harmon, 72, who lived to see her 12 children grow into outstanding citizens, was buried here last week. Mrs. Harmon succumbed after an illness of several weeks.

Chosen Southern Indiana's "Mother of the Year" in 1955, Mrs. Harmon was an outstanding civic and religious leader in her home town. She was a life-long resident of Washington and was graduated from Washington High School in 1907.

The daughter of Ella and Ella Allen Lawhorn, she was born in Greene County here and in 1908 married Sherman Harmon, who survives.

None of Mrs. Harmon's 12 surviving children attended college. Among them are Charles Harmon, former Cincinnati Redlegs, Philadelphia Phillies and St. Louis Cardinals utility player; Sherman Harmon, Philadelphia Redevelopment official, and Miss Ruth B. Harmon, registrar, Palmer Institute, Sedalia, N. C.

Other children surviving are: Mrs. Lois Reaves, Salisbury, N. C.; Mrs. Millicent Mitcham, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Josephine Foggie, Cambridge, Mass.; Mrs. Joyce Knox, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Savannah Lane, Cambridge, Mass.; Mrs. Jean Williams, Indianapolis, Ind.; William D. Harmon, North Vernon, Ind.; Mrs. Rose Johnson, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Farrell Thomas, a missionary, who will serve in the Belgian Congo after training in Brussels.

Also surviving the deceased are 34 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Earl Beck Dies After Long Illness

Once Nominated By Truman For Recorder of Deeds

Earl W. Beck, Kansas Citian who once was nominated by President Truman for the federal position of Recorder of Deeds, died Friday night, May 15, at the Queen of the World hospital where he had been a patient for two months.

Major Beck, as he was known by his friends and associates, had been in failing health for more than five years. He was 70 years old.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Allen Chapel AME church of which Major Beck was a member of long standing. The Rev. Thomas J. Burwell of St. Louis, a former pastor of Allen Chapel, came here to deliver the eulogy.

Beck, a personal friend of President Harry S. Truman for many years, was nominated by Truman in 1951 to be recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia following the resignation of Marshal Shepard of Philadelphia.

Beck and Truman had been friends since 1926 when the former president was presiding judge of the county court of Jackson county and Beck was superintendent of the Parental Home for Negro Boys at Little Blue. The institution was built during Truman's administration at the county court and Beck was the first superintendent.

Beck served as head of the county home for 15 years. Boys sent to the home during those years looked upon Beck and his wife, the late Mrs. Maude Beck, as father and mother and many of them kept in touch with the Becks long after their term at the home was over.

Although Beck was nominated

for the Recorder of Deeds post, he did not go to Washington because the Senate did not confirm Mr. Truman's appointment of his Kansas City friend.

Beck served for three years, from 1947 to 1950, as administrator of Douglass hospital, A.M.E. institution in Quindaro, Kas.

The title of "major" was given to Beck years ago by a group of friends and golf companions, including the late C. A. Franklin, editor of THE CALL.

Beck served as a Red Cross worker at Camp Funston, Kas., during World War I. During World War II, he was director of USO clubs in Manhattan and Salina, Kas., and at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Beck is survived by his wife, Mrs. Louise Whitlock Beck, of the home, 2143 E. 24th St.; three daughters, Mrs. Fern B. Webster, 3204 Lockridge; Mrs. Marianna Sewell and Mrs. Marjorie Strothers, both of Washington, D. C.; three brothers, James Beck of Tacoma, Wash., and Clarence and Glenn Beck, both of St. Paul; three sisters, Mrs. Madeline Walker of Little Rock, Mrs. Gladys Butler of Nashville and Mrs. Helen Stafford of Tacoma. He also leaves one granddaughter.

Obituaries

Mrs. J. C. Neal

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Relatives and friends of Mrs. Jennie Caldwell Neal are mourning her death this week after she died suddenly following a heart attack.

A former employee of Kentucky Utilities Co. for 17 years, the deceased had held numerous civic and public positions.

A graduate of Bluefield State College, Mrs. Neal had served as president of the Dunbar P.T.A. a member of the Lexington Public School Evaluation Committee, Cancer Drive chairman, and numerous other positions.

Surviving are her widower, Everett; three daughters and seven grandchildren. The deceased was a member of the First Baptist Church.

State Negro Leader's Rites Tomorrow

Lexington, Ky. 10-29-59
Mrs. Thelma Lockhart
Had Been Ill A Year

The funeral for Mrs. Thelma Bell Lockhart, prominent Negro clubwoman and church member, will be at noon Friday at the Metropolitan Community Church, 2118 W. Walnut. Burial will be in Zachary Taylor National Cemetery.

Mrs. Lockhart died at 4 p.m. Tuesday at her home, 2008 W. Madison, after an illness of a year. She was 56.

She was active in church and civic affairs. She was a former president of the State Association of Colored Women's Club, a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Post No. 45, and the Good Samaritans.

One Of Church's Founder

She was a founder and 20-year member of the Metropolitan Community Church.

She is survived by her husband, Herman V. Lockhart; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Robertson; two sisters, Mrs. Clarence Blanton, and Mrs. Hubert Thompson, Charlotte, Tenn.; a brother, Lipe Robertson; a son, Hugh C. Bell, Jr., and three grandchildren.



MRS. J. C. NEAL

... dies suddenly

LAW SHOULD BE OBEYED

World
New White Bapt.
Atlanta, Ga.
Head Is Opposed
Fri. 5-22-59
To Segregation

By LOUIS CASSELS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (UPI) —

Southern Baptists Thursday elected an ardent prohibitionist, the Rev. Ramsey Pollard of Knoxville, Tenn., as their president for the coming year.

Dr. Pollard, 56-year-old pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church of Knoxville, was chosen over the Rev. Roy O. McClain of Atlanta, Ga., in a run-off election at the 102nd annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. He will succeed former U. S. Rep. Brooks Hays, D-Ark., who has headed the 9,206,000 member denomination for the past two years.

At a news conference following his election, Dr. Pollard said alcohol is "the greatest curse we have in America today."

"I favor a return to legal prohibition on a nationwide basis," he said.

In response to questions about his stand on racial issues, Dr. Pollard said the Supreme Court desegregation decision is "the law of the land and should be obeyed."

SAID WILL TAKE TIME

He added, however, that "there are many localities where, because of conditions, it will take some time for this law to be carried out." He said that "in principle," he regards enforced segregation as incompatible with Christian teachings about human brotherhood, but "in practice," he recognizes it will be necessary to "go slow," in eliminating racial barriers.

The Rev. James S. Bulman of East Spencer, N. C., created a short lived controversy by charging in a speech that one professor at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville has indicated in some of his writings that he regards certain fundamental Baptist doctrines, such as the virgin birth of Jesus, as "myths."

Bulman did not name the professor but referred to him as having come to the seminary in 1953 from England. Seminary officials said Bulman apparently referred to E. C. Britt, seminary President Duke McCraw drew thunderous applause

from the 15,000 messengers and alternates by reading a passage from a recent article by Prof. Britt which said that "The virgin birth is not a myth."

Defender Chicago Ill.
Bury Frank Gray
Sat. 5-30-59
Defender Editor

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Funeral services were held here this week for Frank H. Gray, former managing editor of the Louisville Defender, who died May 12 in General Hospital.

The 58-year-old former newsman had been an invalid since becoming ill in 1955. He went into a coma a day before his death and was taken to the hospital.

Funeral rites were held up until his brothers, Charles of Washington, and Columbus Gray of Philadelphia, arrived here. The body was at the W. W. Beckett Funeral Home.

Gray worked for the Louisville Defender from 1930 until he became ill in 1955. He began his newspaper chores as a reporter; later was promoted to city editor and then managing editor.

The hardworking Gray, in 1946, became the first Negro to attend the Newspaper Institute for Sunday and Feature Editors at Columbia University (N.Y.C.)

In addition to his brothers, Gray is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ida Gray, of 310 S. 10th st.

Pittsburgh Pa.
Integration Foe
Sat. 5-30-59
Commits Suicide

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — State Attorney A. Scott Hamilton, 43, who gained fame by prosecuting white integration advocates on sedition charges, is dead. He shot himself in the heart with a pistol at his suburban home here.

Hamilton's death followed a series of professional and political reverses which began with his prosecution of the integrationists in 1954.

He obtained the conviction of Carl Braden on a sedition charge after Braden and his wife Anne helped a Negro family purchase a house in a so-called white neighborhood. However, Braden's 15-year sentence was set aside by Kentucky's highest court after Braden had served eight months in jail.

HAMILTON was then forced to ask for dismissal of all charges against the Bradens and five other white persons who had defended the right of the Negroes. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew E. Wade IV, to occupy the house. This was in late 1956.

One of the persons harassed was I. O. Ford, 80, who was kept in jail for six months. Ford died last year in California, and friends were convinced that his death was hastened by the long confinement at his advanced age.

All aspects of the "sedition" case were not cleared up until late 1957, when Hamilton was compelled to return hundreds of books he had seized in raids on the homes of the Bradens and the other defendants.

Sudden Death Takes J. R. Ray, Top Federal Housing Official

The Afro-American *Baltimore, Md.*

Sat 12-5-59
WASHINGTON
Joseph R. Ray, Federal official, died suddenly of a heart attack Tuesday night in his Washington residence at the Rhode Island Plaza, 2705 13th St., N.E. He was 72.

Mr. Ray, a Louisville realtor and prominent Republican, was active up until the time of his death. He went to his offices as usual on Tuesday in the Housing and Home Finance Agency, where he served as assistant to the administrator on youth fitness.

McGuire Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements for burial in Louisville after brief services here.

MR. RAY was an organizer of First Standard Bank in Louisville. He formerly taught school and later served as a principal in the local system. He graduated from Kentucky State College and attended the University of Chicago.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ella H. Ray; a son, Joseph Jr.; sister, Mrs. Anna Hale; brother, John Ray, and four grandchildren, all of Louisville.

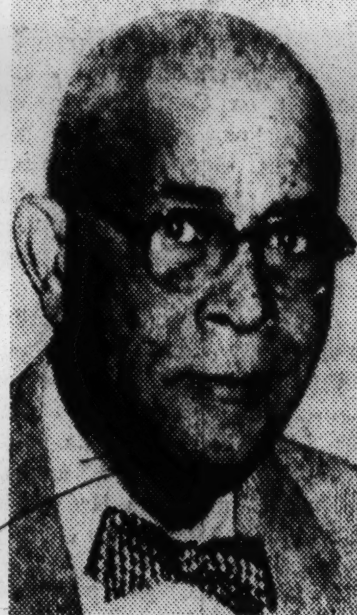
Born in Bloomfield, Ky., in 1887, Mr. Ray received the AB degree from Kentucky State Normal College in 1908, took post graduate work at the University of Chicago and later studied business administration at LaSalle University in Chicago.

He served as a lieutenant in World War I. Later he became president of the First Standard Bank of Louisville.

In 1930, Mr. Ray resigned from the banking post to go into real estate and general insurance work and become the owner and developer of a 100-unit housing project in Louisville.

He served also as a buyer and appraiser for the Louisville Board of Education.

A REPUBLICAN, Mr. Ray



JOSEPH R. RAY
Succumbs suddenly

J. R. Ray, Sr., Kentucky Negro Highest In U.S. Government, Dies

The Courier-Journal *Louisville, Ky.*

Heart Attack Claims Adviser

Joseph R. Ray, Sr., who held the highest United States Government post ever given any Kentucky Negro, died of a heart attack Tuesday in Washington, D. C.

He had been in the capital since 1953 when he was named racial-relations adviser for the administrator for youth fitness of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Just last May he was appointed to the newly created post of assistant to the administrator. One aim of Ray's newest job was to develop programs aimed at influencing youth fitness in the home.

Helped Organize Bank

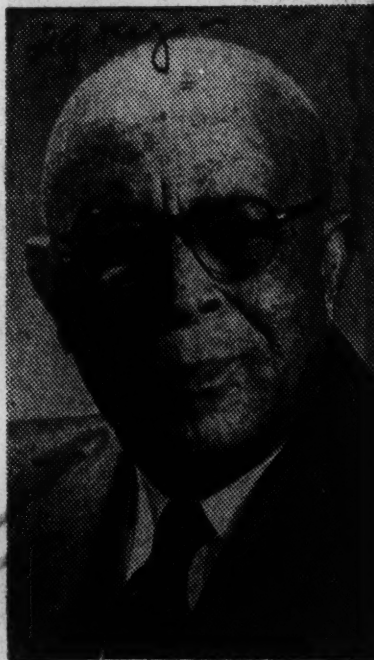
Ray, a Republican, was a native of Bloomfield, Ky., and a graduate of Kentucky State University. He taught in schools at Bloomfield and Hopkinsville before entering the Army during World War I.

He came to Louisville after the war and entered the insurance business. A few years later he helped organize the old First Standard Bank here.

In 1930 he organized a real estate firm here, serving as its president. At one time he was president of a national Negro real-estate organization.

After the death of Senator Alben W. Barkley, Ray was mentioned as a candidate for Barkley's seat in the U. S. Senate.

In 1953 Ray was honored by the Louisville Real Estate Brokers Association for "his contribution to the growth of Louisville." He was given a plaque at a dinner attended by 300 persons, including high



JOSEPH R. RAY, SR.

City officials.

Funeral Tuesday

While in Louisville he was a member of the Urban League, the Y.M.C.A., the Louisville Board of Equalization, and the National Association for The Advancement of Colored People.

The body will be at the home of his sister, Mrs. Anna R. Hale, 3430 Southern, Sunday afternoon.

Other survivors are his wife, the former Ella Hughes; a son, Joseph R. Ray, Jr.; a brother, John G. Ray, and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the West Chestnut Street Baptist Church, 18th and Chestnut.

MRS. L. DISNEY RYAN

Mrs. Lawrence Disney Ryan, 77, died at 1:47 a.m. Thursday at her home, 1806 Edgeland.

She was the wife of a retired Louisville & Nashville Railroad engineer, and was a member of St. James Church. She was the former Frances B. Arnold.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Alyeen Jakoby, Frankfort; Mrs. Estelle Lindley, and Mrs. Daisy McCormick; four sons, Clifford Ryan, Chicago, and Will, Lawrence, and Francis Ryan; two sisters, Mrs. Elnora Pratt, Madisonville, and Mrs. Eva Thompson; two brothers, Joseph and John Arnold; 15 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 8:30 a.m. Monday at Heady Funeral Home, 1201 E. Oak, and at 9 a.m. at St. James Church. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Bardstown.

MRS. JOSEPH ECK

The funeral for Mrs. Joseph Eck, 1223 S. Preston, who died Wednesday at St. Anthony Hospital, will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Heady Funeral Home, 1201 E. Oak. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

MRS. THOMAS BYRNE

Mrs. Thomas Byrne, 87, died at 12:10 a.m. Thursday at her home, 3216 Larkwood. She was the former Margaret Kaufman. Her husband died in 1948.

She was a member of the altar societies of St. Anthony and St. Charles Borromeo churches, of the Third Order of St. Francis, and of the auxiliary of the Knights of St. John.

She is survived by two sons, Thomas Byrne and James L. Byrne, a member of the advertising department at The Courier-Journal; three daughters, Sister Marita, a teacher at St. Theresa School; Mrs. Henrietta Schmuckie, and Mrs. Margaret Hoeflich; a brother, Joseph Gruneisen, and a stepsister.

Mrs. Carrie Bruner, eight grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at Ratterman's, 2114 W. Market, and at 9 a.m. at St. Anthony Church. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery.

WILLIAM T. LIKES

The funeral for William T. Likes, Anchorage, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Willhite Funeral Home, Middletown. Burial will be in Middletown Cemetery. Likes, a mechanic, died of a heart attack Wednesday at his home.

MRS. ANDREW J. WRIGHT

Mrs. Andrew J. Wright, the former Katie Jewell, died at 10:40 p.m. Wednesday at her home, 642 Lynn. She was 67.

Mrs. Wright, a native of Green County, was a member of Atwood Wesleyan Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Lena Ferguson; a stepson, Earl Wright; two brothers, Clint and George Jewell, both of Shepherdsville; a half sister, Mrs. Ida Montgomery, Greensburg, Ky.; 13 stepgrandchildren, and 15 step-great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Heady Southern Funeral Home, 3601 Taylor Boulevard, and at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Burial will be in St. Stephen Cemetery.

Dr. Brown, *Liberian Age* editor, is dead

Liberian Political Leader Dies

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A most prosperous era of adroit, enlightened political leadership in Liberia lost one of its founding fathers Saturday, October 3, in the death of Sen. Edwin Alford Morgan, 71, president pro tempore of the Senate and national chairman of the incumbent True Whig Party.

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Memorial services were held Oct. 5, in New York City at St. Martin's Protestant Episcopal Church.

Officiating were the Rt. Rev. Bravid W. Harris, Bishop of the missionary district of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Liberia, and the Rev. John H. Johnson, rector of St. Martin's.

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A PROMINENT ATTORNEY

since 1915, Senator Morgan was Liberia's delegate to a United Nations meeting in Paris in 1948. The following year he was Liberia's UN delegate in the United States. In 1953 he was advisor to the Liberian delegation at UN headquarters in New York.

Among the positions held by Senator Morgan in his rise to national and international prominence were county attorney in Grand Bassa County; judge; collector of internal revenues, and vice president of the National Bar Association.

A MAJOR in Liberia's militia, he received the Military Distinguished Service Medal and several other distinctions, among them, some of Liberia's highest.

Senator Morgan was a Mason, an Odd Fellow and a leader in both the YMCA and the Protestant Episcopal Church in Liberia.

Minden Medic Drops Dead In Hospital

MINDEN, LA. -- Dr. Julius A. Phillips, 61, died here suddenly Monday (February 23) at 12:30 p.m. while attending a patient in one of the examination rooms of the hospital he owned and operated under the name of Phillips Hospital.

At the time of his death he was secretary of the Keystone Life Insurance Company, an office he had held since 1936. He had served the Company previously as a vice president and was one of the original stockholders and founders of the corporation, which is home office in New Orleans. He was also a director of the Keystone Investment Corporation.

Dr. Phillips was born in New Orleans on November 11, 1897, and graduated from Texas College, Tyler, Texas, where he was active in sports and a debating team member. He completed his medical training at Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., and had practiced in this North Louisiana community since the early thirties.

A church, community and civic worker, Dr. Phillips was secretary of the Webster Parish Voters Improvement Association, and a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the Louisiana State Medical Association.

His immediate survivors include his widow the former Miss Oda Ellen Jasper, Houston, Texas; their two daughters, Terry Lynn and Anna Elizabeth and a son, Julius A., Jr., all of Minden; and, two daughters by a previous marriage, Mrs. Rose Calloway, Cincinnati, Ohio and Miss Helen Phillips, Chicago, Illinois. Final arrangements at press time were incomplete.



DR. J. A. PHILLIPS

Famed Banjo Player Dies

The nimble fingers of Lawrence Marrero have been stiffened with death. Death came to the banjo-player who had attained international fame here Saturday night at his residence, 1846 Industry Street. Marrero, 58, had been in failing health for several years, but continued throughout to do



what he knew best "to entertain his public and followers by playing the banjo."

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the La. Undertaking Company, with the Blandin Funeral Home in charge. Interment was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery following religious services at Greater Emanuel Baptist Church.

Last Rites Held For Mother Of SU President

BATON ROUGE, La. -- Mrs. Octavia Head Clark, 79, widow of Dr. Joseph Samuel Clark, founder of Southern University on its present site, died early Wednesday morning, April 29 at the Flint Goodridge Hospital in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mrs. Clark, mother of Dr. Felton G. Clark, president of Southern University, had been ill for three weeks.

The deceased, nee Octavia Elnora, a native of Monroe, Louisiana, was one of nine children of the late Rev. Wm. G. Head, pastor of Trenton Missionary Baptist Church, Ouachita Parish and the late Jane Jeannette Amos Head.

Before her graduation from Coleman College, Gibsland, Louisiana, she studied for two years at Leland University, when that institution was located in New Orleans. She began her teaching experiences at the China Grove Common School in Caldwell Parish. In 1901, she married the late Dr. Clark, the same year that he was called to head Baton Rouge Academy. At the Academy, she taught English and Music.

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In 1925, she retired from active professional life, although she remained active in social endeavors.

A member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, here in Baton Rouge, Mrs. Clark was also a member of the National Association of College Women, National Council of Negro Women, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and the YWCA.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Felton G. Clark; two brothers, Percy Head, Chicago, Illinois and Lorenza Head, Monroe, Louisiana; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

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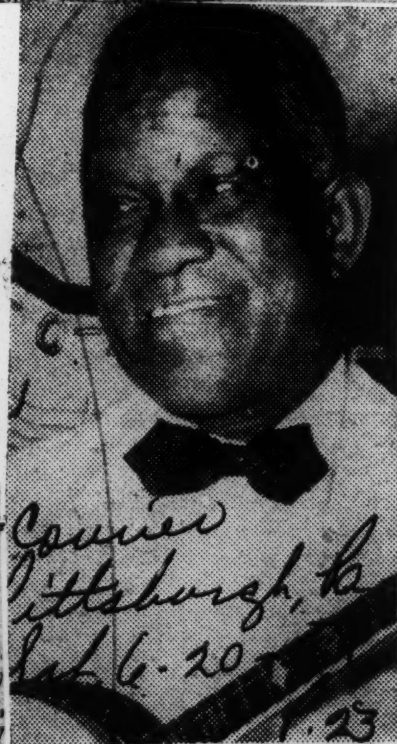
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Mourned—

Lawrence Marrero, 58, internationally known musician, received final rites in New Orleans last week after expiring at his home, 1848 Industry. Marrero was heralded in the jazz world as one of the last real archaic jazzmen. He toured the nation with the George Lewis band during the 1930's, having appeared at Town Hall, New York, and at the Philadelphia Academy of Music.

Funeral Services Held For First Poor Clare Nun

Wells, New Orleans, La.
Sat 7-4-59
Funeral services were held last week for Sister Marie Pius (Mara Gates Patterson), the first Negro woman to become a Poor Clare nun in the history of that order. Sister Marie Pius died June 15 following an illness of more than a year. Arrangements were by the Joseph Laughlin and Son Funeral Home, and interment was on the Poor Clare convent grounds.

Born in New Orleans, July 13, 1919, to Mrs. Naomi Wilson Patterson and the late Henry C. Patterson, she attended local public schools then Paul Quinn College in Texas. She married the late James B. LaFourche, Jr., former newspaperman and ANP correspondent, and was the mother of one son, James B. LaFourche, III, now residing in Los Angeles.

Reared in the Methodist faith, she was a staunch member of Old Wesley Chapel for most of her life.

Following a divorce from LaFourche, she taught in the public schools of McComb, Miss., then was employed as secretary in the James Lewis and McDonogh 38 public schools in New Orleans.

Her divorced husband, James B. LaFourche, Jr., died April 1, 1952 and two years later she became a Catholic and made her first communion in the Church of the Epiphany. She decided to enter the religious life.

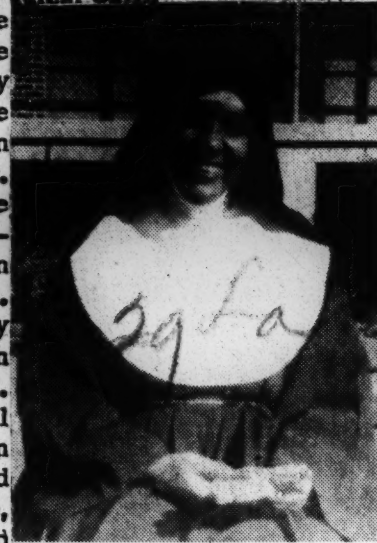
Visits were made to the various convents in New Orleans, and she decided to join the Poor Clares, an order which had not admitted a Negro since it was established in 1877.

She received her final vows in July, 1956, and took the name Sister Marie Pius.

She fell ill early in 1958 and underwent a serious operation in Hotel Dieu. At that time physicians gave her less than a year to live.

Other survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Carnetta Risby, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. J. O. Jarreau, New Orleans, and Mrs. Frank Moore, Brooklyn, N. Y.

and two grandchildren, James B. LaFourche, IV, and Wanda Marie LaFourche, of Los Angeles, Calif.



SISTER MARIE PIUS

First Negro Poor Clare Nun Dies in New Orleans

Courier
Pittsburgh, Pa.
By JOHN E. ROUSSEAU
Sat 7-4-59
NEW ORLEANS—“My daughter, for the future you shall not be called Mara, but Sister Marie Pius of Christ our King.”

These words, uttered July 7, 1956, in the Monastery of the Poor Clare Nuns here, brought a long-sought peace into the life of Mara Gates Patterson LaFourche, and entered the first Negro into that order in its then 79 years of existence.

• Sister Marie Pius died June 15, 1959, following an illness of more than a year. During her 40 years of life, she had been a student, a Methodist, a wife, a mother, a divorcee, a school teacher, a school secretary, a convert to the Catholic faith, and finally a nun.

Born in New Orleans, July 13, 1919, to Mrs. Naomi Wilson Patterson and the late Henry C. Patterson, she attended local schools and later Paul Quinn College in Texas.

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Her divorced husband, James B. LaFourche Jr., died April 1, 1952, and two years later, the Catholic Church which frowns upon divorcees, recognized her as a widow and accepted her as a convert. She made her first communion in the Epiphany Church.

GAINFULLY EMPLOYED, highly respected by her employers and associates, and having no financial worries, her son having come of age, she, nevertheless found life jaded and monotonous.

On numerous occasions she

phere and surroundings of the Poor Clares, a community of cloistered nuns, she told her mother, “I have found the place; I have made up my mind to turn my back on the world, I have found true happiness.”

The Poor Clare convent was established here in 1877 by the foundress of the order, the late Mother M. Maddalena Bentivoglio. Nuns in this order take vows of poverty, live in seclusion, and are limited to few visits from relatives.

Prior to July, 1956, no Negro had ever entered the Poor Clare community. However, Mara Gates Patterson LaFourche was welcomed into the monastery as Sister Marie Pius.

EARLY IN 1958, she fell ill and underwent a serious operation in the Hotel Dieu Hospital. Physicians, at that time, said she had just about a year to live.

Despite this knowledge, Sister Marie Pius remained cheerful, accepting her affliction with the resignation that it was God's will. She became the godmother of Fred A. Barrom III, her nephew, and Mrs. Ernestine Washington.

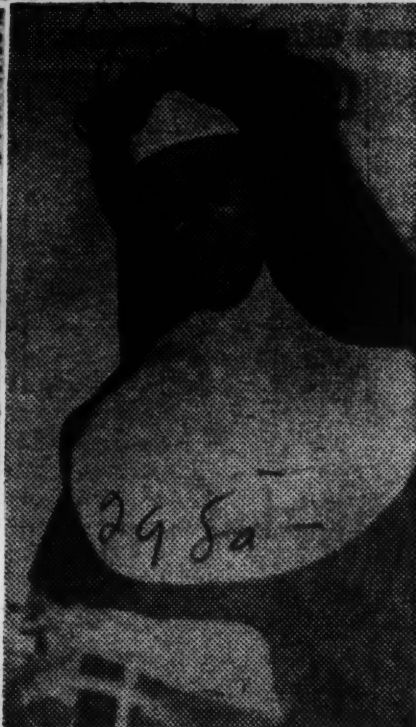
Sister Marie Pius was the granddaughter of the late Col. and Mrs. Gates F. Wilson. Col. Wilson, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., was prominent in fraternal and political circles after moving to New Orleans, and was a member of the Metropolitan Police during Reconstruction Days.

Funeral services for the nun were conducted June 17 in the chapel of the Poor Clare Monastery, with the Rev. Father O'Hara officiating. Arrangements were handled by the Joseph Laughlin and Sons undertaking company and interment was on the convent grounds.

Other survivors include three sisters, Mmes. Carnetta Risby, Oakland, Calif.; O. J. Jarreau, New Orleans, and Frank Moore, Brooklyn, N. Y., and two grandchildren, James B. LaFourche IV, and Wanda Marie LaFourche of Los Angeles, Calif.

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SISTER MARIE PIUS

... she found peace

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LOUISIANA

John Millet, Insurance Executive, Dies Suddenly

8-21-59
Funeral services for John Edison Millet, 52, prominent New Orleans insurance executive and socialite, were set for Thursday at 9:30 a. m. from the Louisiana Undertaking Company, 1449 N. Claiborne Avenue, to be followed by a Requiem High Mass in the Epiphany Catholic Church and burial in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Mr. Millet died here on Tuesday, August 18, at 1:45 a. m. in the Veterans Administration Hospital where he had been rushed late Monday night from his residence, 1882 Humanity Street, when his condition took a turn for the worse. He had been ill since last Friday.

A native of Convent, La., Mr. Millet was one of several children born to the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Millet, a prominent family of that community. He had been a resident of New Orleans for forty-six years.

He attended Blessed Sacrament School here and graduated from Xavier Preparatory school in 1924.

At the time of his death, Mr. Millet was vice president-cashier of the Louisiana Life Insurance Company, treasurer of the Louisiana Undertaking Company.

During World War II, he served in the Medical Corps of the U. S. Army, and served twenty-four months foreign duty.

He held membership in the YMCA, the Knights of Pete Claver, the Holy Name Society, the Young Men Twenty-Two's Club, and the Autocrat Social Club.

Survivors include his widow, the former Miss Lolita Frederick; a daughter, Linda Marie; two sisters, Mrs. Amelia Trudeau and Mrs. Odette Dugas; and two brothers, Adla and Joseph Millet, all of this city.



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MINNIE LOMAX

Heart attack fells beloved writer unexpectedly

Two heart attacks in one day kill Mrs. Lomax, Tribune writer for decade

Death, as it must to all, but seeming to cheat society somewhat, came either late Monday or early Tuesday to the Tribune's Minnie Lomax, perhaps the most devotedly read local social columnist . . . however, not so much for her social notes as for the philosophy which headed her columns.

Mrs. Lomax, who was 69, was the mother of former Tribune publisher Lucius W. Lomax, Jr. and had been writing in the Tribune for 10 years.

Save for the two-week Summer vacation she sometimes took from her task, she rarely missed, and it was entirely a 'labor of love,' she never received compensation for her work.

One of the few occasions on which her column did not appear was last week when she was apprised of a serious heart condition and was advised to "slow up."

Abhorring "dependency" on anybody, she stayed off from work one week and also abstained from

writing.

SUFFERED SLIGHT ATTACK

But on Monday, she returned to her job at the Department of Motor Vehicles, where she suffered a slight attack. She was brought home by her son and apparently suffered the second and final attack in her home at 2012 W. 29th st., that night or early the following morning, for she did not respond to the knocking of her grandson, Michael, 11, who went over Tuesday afternoon to do her chores, nor to the telephone.

Tuesday night, Lomax, Jr. broke in and found his mother dead.

Death had apparently come in

the midst of a severe seizure for she lay in her bed as if caught in a great paroxysm.

She lived alone and in addition to her son is survived by six grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Violet Hill, of New York. She is the former wife of Lucius W. Lomax, Sr., wealthy financier of 2076 W. Adams blvd.

WAS AVID STUDENT

Mrs. Lomax lived, as she appeared to have died, straining to get the utmost out of that part of life which she regarded as 'important.'

She was an avid student of history, philosophy, literature, psychology. She retired here some 10 years ago after 35 years in the

Chicago school system in which she was the second Negro teacher and where she taught English, drama and Spanish.

She was a militant race woman and supporter of civil rights and social advances, combining this with a very feminine absorption in, and love of, "society" in the 'polite and recreational sense.

She combined the two—her interest in the social activities of Los Angeles' 'first citizens'—with her intellectual preoccupations; and the results of her reading and thinking always led off her weekly column and was read by people far removed from the circles detailed below it and people with little or no frivolous interests.

Mrs. Lomax was born Elizabeth Minnie Pugh in Charleston, S.C. She was an attractive auburn-haired, hazel-eyed, light-skinned girl, the typical product of Charleston's 'Southern Negro aristocracy', which was severely stratified along lines of color, education and occupation.

She was graduated in 1908 from Fisk university, in a class which also included the late Hugh E. Macbeth, former Liberian consul at Los Angeles.

She became a country school teacher, and it was while teaching in Texas that she married the handsome Lomax, Sr., Spanish-American war veteran, known as a 'soldier of fortune' throughout the West, and bore him a son.

She went to Chicago before World War I, taking her son, and studied at the Universities of Chicago and Illinois, winning her master's degree in Education.

Although she was only subtly critical, her column, through the expedient to encouraging people to be what they pretended to be, is generally credited with doing more to elevate society and to perpetuate social gracefulness than any other local force.

SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN YOUNG PEOPLE

She was devoted to the graceful side of life, especially as manifested in young people, and contrary to her doctor's orders, she attended Sunday's lavish wedding and reception for the former Anne Bradford and Sherrill Luke.

Rites for Bishop Hurst's widow held

The Afro-American
Baltimore, Md.

BALTIMORE — There were no flowers and only two mourners at the funeral for Mrs. Katherine Bertha Hurst, 90, widow of AME Bishop John Hurst. She was buried July 11 in Harmony Cemetery in Washington beside her husband.

Mrs. Hurst died two days earlier at the Bar-Wil-Ba Nursing Home in Baltimore, where she had lived for the past 12 years.

THERE WAS no public notice of the death and the East Baltimore funeral home which handled the body, told the AFRO the family requested privacy. The spokesman declined to give any details.

However, it was learned that there were two cars in the procession, a hearse and a family car with two persons and that Mrs. Hurst wore a pink shroud and was buried in a gray cloth casket.

Her grandson, Dr. John Hurst, Chester, Pa., physician, told the AFRO on Sunday:

"The arrangements were private. The family doesn't feel that it was any of her friends' business.

"We are a very quiet and small family now, and we do not care to say anything about the death or funeral."

THE AFRO was first to notify Mrs. Hurst's niece, Mrs. Rosina Cole of Baltimore, of her death. She told the AFRO on Sunday:

"She was my father's sister. I didn't know she was dead.

"Maybe they notified me, but I've been out of the city."

Mrs. Cole said she last visited her aunt two months ago but she didn't recognize her.

The Bar-Wil-Ba Home said that Mrs. Hurst had been bedridden for the past six months.

"She came here soon after we opened the home in 1945," said Mrs. Ethel Barthrope, owner of the home, and she was in good physical condition until about six months ago when she didn't know anybody."

THE REV. Harrison J. Bryant, pastor of Bethel AME

Church where Mrs. Hurst was a lifetime member said he had visited her regularly at the nursing home and taken her communion.

He last visited her two weeks before her death. He said, however, that she was buried when he received notice of her death.

Dr. Bryant said: "We will hold a memorial service for her sometime in September."

MRS. HURST was the daughter of the late Laura and Thomas Thompson of Abbeville, S.C. She was reared there and in Baltimore.

She married Bishop Hurst on Oct. 29, 1890 when he was first secretary, Haitian Legation at Washington, D.C.

At the time she was one of the prettiest girls in Baltimore and they made their home in the 1600 block McCulloh St. Dignitaries of the church and diplomats were received in the drawing room of the McCulloh St. home and Mrs. Hurst presided with dignity.

She later became president of the Mite Missionary Society of the general church.

There were two children, only one of whom grew to adulthood.

He was Dr. Benomi Price Hurst, who died 12 years ago. He was an Amherst and Harvard Medical School graduate who was chief anesthetist at Howard University.

The grandson, Dr. John Hurst, and his wife, Mae, of Chester; the niece, Mrs. Cole of Baltimore, and Mrs. Cole's children, great nieces and nephews, are the only immediate survivors.

They are Richard, Cole, Mrs. Esther Arrington, Mrs. Pearl Brackett, Mrs. Audrey Johnson and former State Sen. Harry A. Cole.

BISHOP HURST died in May, 1930 bringing to an end a career that had seen become one of the outstanding champions of equal rights in the country.

Born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, he was a graduate of Wilberforce and was ordained

in 1886.

He was appointed a pastor at the Cowdensville, Md., circuit 1893-94; Waters Church, Baltimore, 1894-98; Bethel Church, Baltimore, 1898-1903; Waters Church, 1903-08; financial secretary AME Church, 1908-12; bishop of Florida, 1912-28; bishop of South Carolina, 1920 to his death.

Bishop Hurst was credited with being largely responsible for the growth of Edward

'Mr. Morgan State' buried after campus rites Monday

The Afro-American
Baltimore, Md.

BALTIMORE — James Hughlett Carter is dead, but his spirit will live on at Morgan State College for years to come.

This was the word which came from the co-workers and friends who eulogized him at Monday afternoon funeral services held in the Morgan Christian Center.

Mr. Carter, 65, acting president of the college in the absence of Dr. Martin Jenkins, on a European tour, died suddenly Thursday evening at his home, 3314 Gwynns Falls Parkway.

He had served on the faculty and in executive posts at the college for 45 years.

THE RT. REV. EDGAR A. LOVE, resident bishop of the Methodist Church, and chairman of the Christian Center board of trustees, was among the six friends and associates who spoke at the 55-minute services.

He told the 500 mourners: "This is Jimmy Carter's coronation day. Each of us present is a member of the great family of friends he built up through the years.

"He was Mr. Morgan State College. He knew more of the old Morgan than anyone I know. (And my family has been associated with Morgan since 1887). There will never be another Jimmy Carter. He was a man of extraordinary mold.

"Three great presidents leaned heavily on him. I think of him more as an administrative assistant to them rather than as a secretary because he did so much more than a secretary.

"He was a friendly man to all he met, but he was friendly in quiet, unassuming manner, much like a little brook... and he was a family man, he loved his family, but most of all Hattie (his wife).

"Nothing was too difficult where she was involved... he lived a life of dedicated service wherever he was..."

DEAN GEORGE C. GRANT.

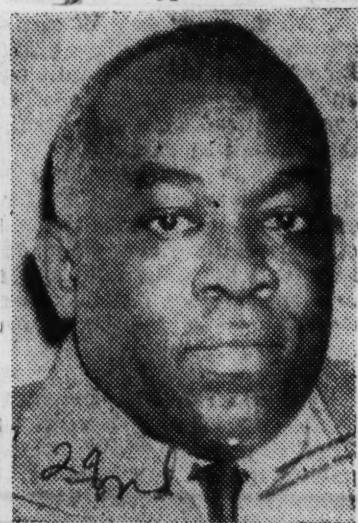
whom the trustees named acting president to succeed Mr. Carter, said: "There will never be another Jimmy Carter. He had a heart as big as the world. He considered everyone his friend.

"His nearly 50 years of devoted service must leave an indelible imprint upon us. God rest his soul." Dean Grant read a message of condolence sent from Sweden by Dr. Jenkins.

Ronald Merriweather, president of the Student Government, added: "No student was ever turned away from his door and every student thought of him as a friend. We have truly lost a great man, devoted to this institution and its students."

Richard W. Emory, vice president of the board of trustees, stated:

"He was much more to us than a secretary. He was a foun-



JAMES H. CARTER.

tain of useful information. We seldom asked him for anything that he was not able to supply. He never shirked his duty or failed us. We have suffered an irreplaceable loss..."

DR. CHARLES R. CAMPBELL, a member of the college alumni association, said: "A career of long and faithful service for Alma Mater and Alumni has come to a close. "It is ironic that his last role

was his greatest, for as acting president of Morgan, his life had reached a fitting climax for one who had served us so long and so well.

"There will never be another Jimmy Carter on our campus, but we rest well in the belief that he will be with us, urging us ever onward and upward in our common goal, a greater Morgan."

The Rev. Howard L. Cornish, director of the Christian Center, presided and read a memory verse. Dr. Edward N. Wilson read the obituary.

INVOCATION WAS by the Rev. Richard L. McKinney, head of the philosophy department, who said, "We thank Thee for the contribution he has made to Morgan through the years. May his light continue to shine and be an inspiration to all who follow in his trail..."

The Rev. W. J. Pledger, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, and the Rev. Robert T. Newbold gave scripture readings. Music was by the Morgan State College Singers, directed by Mrs. Roena Savage. Mrs. Frances Berry Hill was at the organ.

The body lay in state in the Christian Center chapel beginning at 10 a.m. Monday. The block-grey metal casket was surrounded by three dozen floral pieces. Members of the college ROTC were honor guards.

Arthur Smith, McDonogh School figure, dies at 83

11-21-59

BALTIMORE

Arthur U. Smith, 83, 1530 E. Monument St., a former State Department employee, collapsed on the street Monday afternoon and was dead on arrival at St. Joseph's Hospital at 1:30.

Sgt. Cook said Mr. Smith had just left the office of a doctor before collapsed, apparently after having suffered a heart failure.

His body was claimed by a brother, Dr. Albert A. Smith, a dentist of the Monument St. address.

Funeral services for Mr. Smith will be held Friday at 1 p.m. from the Charles Law Funeral Home, 800 block Madison Ave.

In addition to the dentist ceased is survived by a second brother, Andrew D. Smith, of Oakland, Calif., and several nieces and nephews.

He had made his home above Dr. Smith's office on Monument St. since he retired in 1945 after 41 years with the State Department.

Born in New Orleans, Mr. Smith, as did all the male members of his family, attended McDonogh School.

He graduated in 1892 and later when he came north he found it strange that the companion McDonogh School in Maryland did not accept colored students.

Both schools were set up under the will of John McDonogh which specified that they were to be for all poor boys.

Mr. McDonogh, a native Baltimorean, was a millionaire who freed slaves on his plantation and provided them with an education.

IN 1939, Mr. Smith wrote the AFRO and pointed out that colored students were not admitted to Baltimore County.

"It is a plain case of misfeasance and malfeasance by the administrator of the John McDonogh fund for the education of poor children.

"The administrators know that the fund should have been

distributed among the colored citizens without their seeking it... the colored citizens have been systematically robbed for over half a century....," he wrote.

The letter touched off a campaign that enlisted the support of a number of interested persons and the NAACP.

Mr. Smith lived to see the McDonogh School open its door to all students in September of this year.



ARTHUR SMITH

Dr. Perkins paid final tribute

BALTIMORE

Funeral services for Dr. Clifton T. Perkins, who in less than a decade, guided Maryland's mental hospitals from the "shameful" state to a place among the nation's best, were held Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. Perkins, who became commissioner of mental hygiene in April of 1950, died late Tuesday at his Towson home after a lingering illness. He was 58.

High ranking state, county and Baltimore City officials and numerous leaders in the medical field were among the mourners at the Towson Presbyterian Church for the funeral. Burial was to be in Amesbury, Mass.

DR. PERKINS was a supporter of integration in the state's mental institutions and it was with his backing in the face of protests from some sources, that colored children were first admitted to the Rosewood State Training School.

In recognition of his efforts in this behalf and his dedicated work in revamping the outmoded mental hospital system he inherited, he was cited to the AFRO Honor Roll in 1953.

The other four mental hospitals are still operated on a basis of one (Crownsville) for colored and three for whites.

Just last week Dr. Perkins had said he planned to resign and Gov. J. Millard Tawes had said he would be retained as a consultant at his \$20,000 a year salary.

After his death, Deputy Commissioner Rudolph J. Depner, was instructed by Gov. Tawes to take over the reins in the department until a successor is named.

BORN IN Auburn, Maine, Dr. Perkins followed in the footsteps of his father in becoming a physician. He graduated from Bates College in 1922 and did



CLIFTON PERKINS

his medical study at Boston University.

He fell in love with psychiatry during a six-month stint at a Worcester mental hospital to round out his education after intern and resident duty at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital.

He was commissioner of mental health for Massachusetts for 12 years before coming to Maryland in 1950. Internationally known and recognized in his field, Dr. Perkins passed up many lucrative offers to remain in Maryland.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Annie Perkins, and a daughter, Mrs. James A. Shera, of Baltimore.

Mrs. Josephine Howard

Obituaries

William Sherrill

DETROIT — Funeral services for William L. Sherrill, 64, were held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 12th and Glendale, with Bristol Funeral Home in charge of burial in West Lawn Cemetery.

• Mr. Sherrill, a noted fighter most of his life for Negro rights, was the founder and president of the Universal Negro Improvement Association.



Mr. Sherrill

He died at Veterans Hospital, Dearborn.

A graduate of Philander Smith College, Forest City, Ark., he acquired a master's degree in journalism from Northwestern University. He was the author of many books, including, "Come It Must" and "Proud I Am A Negro."

HE WAS THE first Negro to run for a seat on the Detroit Common Council and compiled an impressive vote in an unsuccessful campaign.

World traveler and lecturer, he was a representative at the League of Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, 1923, and a representative to the founding of the United Nations in San Francisco, Calif., after World War II.

Last year, he was a special guest at the anniversary independence celebration of the Republic of Ghana.

Born in Arkansas, the son of a Methodist minister, he spent most of his life here. His home was at 1551 W. Philadelphia. He was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and a World War I veteran. He was also a member of the American Legion and of the Masons.

• For a time, Mr. Sherrill was an associate editor of the Michigan Chronicle and a former columnist for the Pitts-

burgh Courier.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Alice Kinnebrew of Detroit, and Mrs. Joya Guilmenot of Great Neck, N. Y. A son, William, a deputy sheriff of Wayne County, died last year.

Joya, a night club singer, broke into national prominence in her teens when she was signed by the famed Duke Ellington Band. She wrote the lyrics to Duke's classic "Take The A Train," and appeared with him in last year's big TV jazz fantasy, "Drum is a Woman."

... dies at 88

DETROIT — Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Howard were held at the Diggs Memorial Chapel, with the Revs. A. A. Banks Jr. and Robert Bradley officiating. She was 88.

Mrs. Howard, grandmother of Detroit Courier photographer James E. Johnson, was stricken at her home, 4483 Baldwin, with what doctors believed was a massive cerebral hemorrhage. She was rushed to Harper Hospital in a coma, a state in which she remained until just shortly before her death.

Mrs. Howard was born in Rome, Ga., and came to Detroit to live in 1924. She joined the Second Baptist Church and has been a staunch member of that church ever since.

Born Josephine Dozier in 1870, Mrs. Howard was married and had one daughter, the late Dora Johnson. She is also survived by a niece, Mary Leslie, of San Francisco; two cousins, Mrs. Hartie Guinea and Robert Strong, of Cleveland, and Mrs. Alice Lowe of Detroit.

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Mississippi Loses Its Most Enthusiastic Baseball Promoter In Death of Mrs. Marion Henderson Owner Of The Jackson Cubs And Brown Stadium Funeral Rites Held Here Thursday

The state of Mississippi lost its most enthusiastic baseball promoter and fan last Sunday with the death of Mrs. Marion Smith Henderson, owner of the Jackson Cubs, and Brown Stadium, whose death was the result of a lingering illness from which she has suffered for the past two years.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at Central Methodist Church where she had been a life-long and dependable contributing member, with the eulogy by Rev. E. A. Mays, pastor of the church.

The active pallbearers were members of the Jackson Cubs baseball team.

The arrangements were in charge of Frazier & Collins Funeral Home.

In spite of the fact that she was a member of one of the city's oldest and wealthiest families, and was afforded the opportunities of education in the best schools of the state, with many other fields opened to her, having developed into a well informed baseball fan, while yet unmarried she turned to baseball, to which she gave all of her time and talent. The Jackson Cubs was first organized by her, and with the team having high rank among semi-pro teams, she was brought into contact with, and became widely known among the outstanding baseball team owners throughout the United States.

Representing perhaps the largest Negro investment of its kind in the state, a few years ago she built the only present existing baseball park in the city, known as Brown Stadium, located in north Jackson just beyond Tougaloo College, which was named in honor of her step-father, Burr Brown, who had backed her baseball pioneering spirit.

A few years ago she married George Henderson, one of the outstanding players in Negro American league baseball, a former catcher for the once famous Homestead Grays, of Pittsburgh, Pa., who joined her as manager and player with the Jackson Cubs. In spite of their subsequent estrangement she remained associated with him in regard to the team until her death.

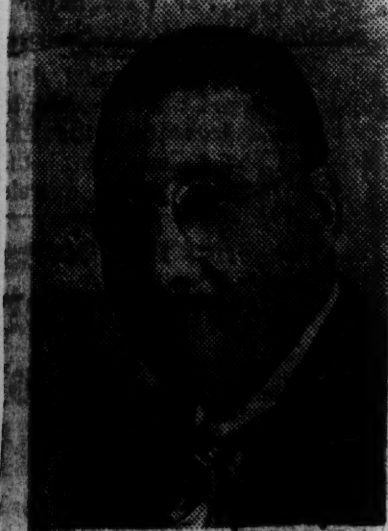
Many messages, telegrams, letters, and other expressions of sympathy have been received by her relatives here from baseball team owners and others connected with the sports from many sections of the country.

Aside from many other relatives both here and in other sections of the country, her nearest surviving relatives is a sister, Mrs. Gladys Smith Ross, of Chicago, Ill.

Prominent Business Man Slain

**No Motive Given
By Woman Who
Opens Door, Fires**

John T. Thornton, highly respected business man and citizen of Kansas City, was shot and killed Sunday night, Jan. 11, in an apartment building owned by Thornton at 1008 the Paseo.



JOHN T. THORNTON

Thornton, 66-year-old native Virginian, was collecting rent in the apartment building when Mrs. Estelle Thomas, 40, an occupant of a basement kitchenette unit, opened her door and fired two bullets at the landlord, one striking him in the face and the other in the chest. Thornton died en route to a hospital.

No reason and no motive has been given by Mrs. Thomas for the shooting.

No Words Passed

Witnesses said that Thornton knocked on the woman's door and identified himself by saying, "This is J. T. Thornton for the rent." No other words were heard passed between the realtor and his slayer. Charles H. Brashier, 82, who oc-

cupies a basement apartment adjoining Mrs. Thomas, said that he heard the door opened and two shots fired. Another witness, Mrs. Maxine Knox, who also occupies a basement apartment, said that she heard Mr. Thornton identify himself, heard the door open and the two shots fired.

Thornton, mortally wounded, made his way to Mrs. Knox's door and said, "That old woman shot me." He then went to the apartment of Brashier and said, "Pops, I've been shot." Brashier said that Thornton gave him his eye glasses, billfold and wrist watch and receipt book and told him to call the police and an ambulance. He then fell to the floor in Brashier's apartment.

Held On Murder Charge

Mrs. Thomas was arraigned on a first degree murder charge Monday morning and is being held in jail without bond.

When police arrived at the scene of the shooting, Mrs. Thomas refused to admit them to her apartment. The officers had to break down the door. They found the woman in bed. She told them that she had been suffering from a heart ailment. Police sent the woman to General hospital where doctors, after examination, said that there was nothing wrong with her heart. She was then taken to the county jail.

Mrs. Thomas has refused to sign a written statement and has refused to tell why she shot Thornton. Her daughter, who lives with her but who was not at home at the time of the shooting, said that her mother had the rent money to give Thornton.

Woman A Recluse

Neighbors expressed the opinion that Mrs. Thomas is mentally unsound. They said that she remains in her apartment all day long, staying in bed most of the time. She is at home alone most of the day while her daughter is working.

When he was shot, Thornton had in his hand a receipt book in which he had written receipts for Mrs. Knox and Brashier and had half-completed a receipt for Mrs. Thomas, anticipating that she would hand him her rent money.

Thornton had been collecting his own rent at the Paseo apartment for only two weeks. An apartment

manager who had collected for him for 14 years moved out of the city and he took over the collection himself until he could find another manager.

Thornton was a widely known and respected man in the community. He was a former superintendent of the Jackson County Home for Negro Boys and Girls in Little Blue. He came to Kansas City in 1936 as vice principal of the R. T. Coles Vocational and Junior high school (now Lincoln junior high school). After a number of years of teaching, he left the classroom to devote his time to his extensive real estate holdings.

Here From Virginia

He came here from Lawrenceville, Va., where he was director of industries at the St. Paul Polytechnic institute. He was a native of Alexandria, Va. Before coming here he also taught at Storer college at Harpers Ferry, W. Va. He returned to Virginia almost every summer for visits.

Thornton was active in civic and community activities. For a number of years he served as president of the board of directors of the Niles Home for Children. He was a member of the advisory committee of the Urban League of Kansas City, the Y.M.C.A. and had been a member of the board of the Carver Neighborhood Center. He was also active with the Kansas City Children's Committee.

He was a member of St. Augustine's Episcopal church where funeral services were to be held Thursday morning, Jan. 15, at 10 o'clock.

Thornton was president of the Homeseekers Building and Loan association and was a director of the Douglass State bank.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lillian R. Thornton of the home, 2417 Linwood Blvd.; a daughter, Mrs. Evangeline Hibbler, 2415 Linwood, and a grandson.

Burial was to be in Lincoln cemetery.

Dr. L. Stanley Daigle, Formerly Of Jeff City, And Columbia, Is Dead

Dr. L. Stanley Daigle, 2625 Benton Blvd., died unexpectedly at his home early Friday morning, June 5, apparently of a heart attack. He had practiced medicine here for 11 years.

Dr. Daigle was well known throughout mid-Missouri as he had practiced medicine in Jefferson City and in Columbia for 12 years before moving to Kansas City.

Born in Baton Rouge, La., Dr. Daigle was educated at the Prairie View State college, Prairie View, Texas, and was graduated from the Meharry Medical college at Nashville in 1931.

After an internship at General hospital No. 2 in 1932, Dr. Daigle began his medical practice at Okmulgee, Okla., where he remained for four years. He then established residence in Jefferson City, and practiced both in Jefferson City and Columbia. During this time, he served as physician at Lincoln university.

In the fall of 1948, Dr. Daigle moved to Kansas City and located his office at 2122 1-2 E. Truman Road where he practiced until his death.

He was a member of the medical staffs of General hospital No. 2, Queen of the World and Wheatley-Provident hospitals.

Among his community interests were membership in the Ward Chapel AME church, 22nd and Prospect Ave., where he was president of the Steward board and the Boys' committee of the Paseo YMCA.

The Paseo YMCA honored him as "Father of the Year" in 1958. Membership in medical organizations included Chi Delta Mu, professional medical fraternity, the Missouri-Pan Medical Association, the National Medical association and the Kansas City Medical society of which he was secretary.

Funeral services were held Monday morning, June 8, at the Ward Chapel AME church with the Rev. S. H. Lewis, pastor, presiding and delivering the eulogy. Prayer was offered by the Rev. C. A. Williams, former pastor of Ward and now associate minister of the Rev. Madeline Randall local deacon, who read scripture; the Rev. D. A. Holmes and the Rev. Carl F. Flipper.

Dr. Daigle is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Daigle of two sons, Stanley Daigle, a student at Tennessee A&I university, and Ronald Daigle, a 1959 graduate of Central high school.

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More than 25 practicing physicians attended the services.

Active pallbearers were Dr. Royall B. Fleming, Dr. James S. Wells, John L. Howell, principal of the Greenwood school; and Clifton Lloyd, Milton McCallop and Albert W. Spears, of the Ward Chapel Steward board.

Honorary pallbearers were trustees of Ward Chapel and the Kansas City Medical society.

Persons who came from out of town for the funeral services were: Mr. and Mrs. Al Inman Rouce of Jefferson City; Mrs. Desmond Oliver of St. Louis; Mrs. Naomi Tunnell of Baton Rouge, La., and Emmett Daigle of Chicago, all cousins of Dr. Daigle; Mrs. Florence Ann Cobb, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Butler, Nashville; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haygood, Okmulgee, Okla.; Dr. and Mrs. James N. Freeman, Jefferson City; Dr. and Mrs. Harry Boffman of Linden, N. J.; Dr. A. R. Maddux of Sedalia; Dr. Waite Madison of Marshall and Richmond; Jesse Ashford, Jefferson City.

Mrs. Georgia Caldwell Smith of Atlanta, sister of Mrs. Daigle, was here Saturday and Sunday with

Atty. William H. Towers

Former Legislator, Dies

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Atty. William H. Towers, 63, a local NAACP branch; and, the Bar leader in political, religious and associations.

Call p. 1
Mr. Towers, 63, a local NAACP branch; and, the Bar leader in political, religious and associations. In partnership with Atty. John E. Royston, Mr. Towers maintained law offices at 1300 N. Fifth St. Washington Blv., Kansas City, Mo. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Anna Orpheus Towers, of the home; a foster daughter, Mrs. Mary Gray, 2527 Myrtle; a brother, Albert Towers, Brookfield, Mo., a sister, Mrs. Neola Boone of the city, and other relatives.

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He was to officiate. Burial in Westlawn cemetery.

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Masonic and Eastern Star ceremonies were held Wednesday night.

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In failing health for several years, Mr. Towers entered St. Margaret's hospital, shortly after Kansas City, Kansas' general election last fall, when he campaigned, unsuccessfully, for the post of county commissioner, Second district. He remained in the hospital until the latter part of March, and, had been convalescing at his home since.

Call p. 1
One of three children born to the late Richard and Jennie Towers in Kansas City, Kas., Mr. Towers attended the local public discriminating against workers because of race or religion.

Call p. 1
As a state representative, Mr. Towers worked unstintingly with his fellow legislators from Wyandotte county, Kas., to pass legislation which enabled the city of Kansas City, Kas., to grow industrial schools, including Sumner high school. He was graduated from the University of Kansas Law school and the College of Liberal Arts.

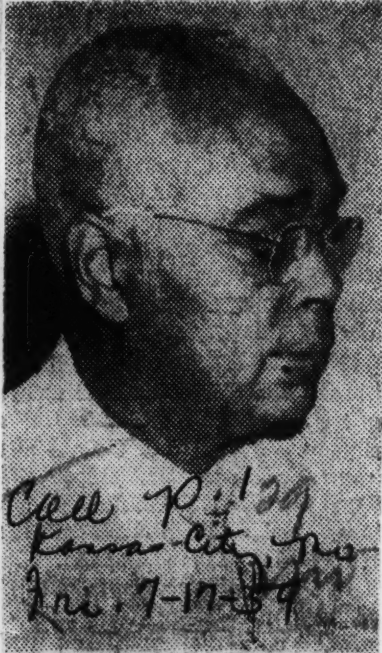
Call p. 1
He received his Doctor of Laws degree from Lane college at Jackson, Tenn.

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In fraternal circles, Mr. Towers was deputy grand master of Prince Hall Grand lodge, F. and A. M. of the state of Kansas and jurisdiction; patron of Alice M. Brown chapter No. 4 of O. E. S., and first master of Providence lodge No. 77 in Kansas City, Kansas.

Call p. 1
For 40 years he was a member of Eighth Street Baptist church, where he served as trustee, former Sunday School teacher and member of the faculty of the Home department.

Call p. 1
He was affiliated with Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, having organized the chapter in Lawrence, Kas.; the Research academy; and, a member of the legal committee of the

handling of legislation making possible the new million dollar Sumner high school; authoring a bill which outlawed racial discrimination in hiring of employees by contractors doing business with the state of Kansas or any of its political subdivision. He also authored a bill, later becoming a law, that prohibited labor union from



WILLIAM H. TOWERS

Call p. 1
For more than 24 years, he was deputy city attorney. A Republican, he served 12 years in the Kansas Legislature; and despite the efforts of friends to support him for a seventh term, he decided to return to the City hall position and private practice. He practiced law here 40 years.

Call p. 1
Mr. Towers gained nationwide attention when he won, in the Supreme court of Kansas, a lawsuit in which the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen had to abandon its policy of having jim crow unions or Negro workers.

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Among his achievements as a state lawmaker were: successful

Atlantic City's Rev. Russell Roberts

Paralysis Claims 'Fasting Minister'

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — The entire seashore community was struck with shock when it was learned that the Rev. Russell A. Roberts, 35, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, one of the most colorful and controversial young ministers in the country, died in the Shattuck Hospital, Boston, Mass., after being stricken with paralysis from his hips to his shoulders two months ago.

• The Rev. Mr. Roberts was taken to Boston about two weeks ago, stretcher-borne from the 30th St. station in Philadelphia, with news photographers present, but who little realized that they were getting the last shots of the youthful clergyman who always managed to gain the headlines.

• His rise in the ministry was meteoric. A major in theology and a minor in dramatics, he parlayed the two talents into a nation-wide drawing that once saw him preach to 30,000 delegates in the Baltimore (Md.) Coliseum.

Graduating from Livingston College, he was formerly married to the daughter of AMEZ Bishop Buford F. Gordon of Charlotte, N. C., and was quickly appointed to Wesley AMEZ Church of Camden, N. J., until May of 1947, when he fainted before 3,000 delegates in Newark, N. J., as the late Bishop C. C. Alleyne removed him.

• ROBERTS BOLTED the AMEZ connection and for some time assisted the Rev. D. W. Hoggard at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Philadelphia, prior to his call to Shiloh in Atlantic City.

• Handsome and the possessor of a singing voice that could have probably sustained him on its own if he had desired, Roberts held on to back-

slorhood following his divorce from the Bishop's daughter, and became the target of scores of matrimonial rumors.

Nationally known columnist Dorothy Kilgallen once had him engaged to Dinah Washington. His name was once linked with Clara Ward.

Robert prayed in the dressing room with Champion Sugar Ray Robinson the night Ray knocked out Bobo Olson. He sparred in training camp with Jersey Joe Walcott, but above all, he was endeared to his congregation at Shiloh that several months ago presented him with a new Cadillac.

• HIS GREATEST publicity, however, stemmed from his famous 11-day fast in his pulpit in protest of the Montgomery, Ala., bus segregation in 1956.

Many of his followers feel that he never fully recovered from the 15-pound loss in weight he suffered. The fast was classified as a "miracle" that brought people from public officials to members of the seashore underworld into the church in hymn-singing and prayerful accord.

• Roberts collapsed and lost consciousness for one hour at the end of his celebrated fast, and had ignored the pleas of his members to discontinue the fast at the end of the first week.

His pulpit prop was one of his many oversize silk handkerchiefs that he flourished near the climax of his usual driving sermons.

Last rites were scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 17, at 12:30, at Shiloh Church, where the congregation will miss the young minister, as will the newspapers that always relied upon him to provide good copy.



Last Gesture—The photo above, taken several months ago, shows the Rev. Russell A. Roberts, left, who died in a Boston (Mass.) hospital, receiving the keys to a new Cadillac presented to him by the Atlantic City Shiloh Baptist Church congregation. He was stricken two months ago with paralysis and was taken to Boston, near his native Worcester, Mass.

Isaac H. Nutter, famed lawyer, dies

PLEASANTVILLE, N.J. — Isaac H. Nutter, for more than a half-century one of the nation's top lawyers, died at his residence here early Thursday. He was 80.

Mr. Nutter began his practice of law at the turn of the century, building an enviable reputation as "the distinguished counsel for the defense."

He served in this role in a total of 56 murder cases. He set a record still unequalled when he successfully argued three appeals before the United States Supreme Court in one week.

HE WAS also the first lawyer to win against the government in an income tax case. That was in 1939.

The case was that of Leroy Williams, then owner of Harlem in Atlantic City. The case was tried before the U.S. District Court sitting at Camden.

The trial was so unusual that the courtroom was filled with corporation and tax lawyers from as far away as New York and Boston. The defense lawyer used in that case set several historic precedents still in use today.

He was nationally known Republican leader. A story has been circulated for years that Warren G. Harding gave Mr. Nutter \$100,00 in \$20 bills to campaign among colored voters when Harding ran for the presidency in 1920.

WHILE NOT seriously ill, Mr. Nutter had been in failing health for about 12 years. He retired from active practice in 1956.

He is survived by a brother, T. Gillis Nutter, a corporation counsel for the Dupont chemical empire at Charleston, W. Va.

Billie Holiday, "Lady Day", Dies

NEW YORK — (UPI) Billie Holiday, 44, a shriveled shadow of the lady who sang the blues, died on a hospital bed Friday.

More than two decades of drug addiction, alcoholism and one-night stands took their toll at 3:20 a.m. in a sixth floor room in Metropolitan Hospital.

Accompanied by many as the greatest jazz singer of all time, the singer known as "Lady Day" entered the hospital 46 days ago with kidney disease and a faltering heart.

She fought death as stubbornly as the friends who had begged and pleaded with her to enter a hospital before it was too late. They finally got her to the hospital after she collapsed at her home. Placed under an oxygen tent, she rallied after a few days but then began losing ground.

HUSBAND KEEPS WATCH

Her husband, Louis McKay, had sat at her bedside the last two nights as her condition became steadily worse. He left the room a few minutes before she died. Her physician said Billie succumbed to lung congestion and heart ailments.

She apparently had not been able to shake the narcotics habit even while dying. A nurse making a routine check last month noticed white powder on Billie's nose. Police found an envelope containing heroin in her room and Billie admitted that she had "sniffed" it occasionally.

In her autobiography, "Lady Sings the Blues," she had written: "There isn't a soul on this earth who can say for sure that their fight with dope is over until they're dead."

If she had lived, Billie would once again have had to face arraignment on a narcotics charge. She began using narcotics as a teenager while singing in Harlem night clubs for money that patrons threw on the dance floor.

FATHER A MUSICIAN

Billie was born in Baltimore on April 7, 1915. Her father was a jazz musician and her mother took to washing. Billie later described her home as "just another one-night stand."

She was only 15 when she got her first job singing in a Harlem night club for \$18 a week after she applied for a job as a dancer. She borrowed the name

from movie star Billie Dove—drafted from club to club, delighting some in the earthy style she had picked up from listening to the records of blues singer Bessie Smith and Louis Armstrong. Her talent was quickly recognized by jazz artists.

She cut her first record with Benny Goodman and went on to make nationwide tours with the Count Basie and Artie Shaw bands.

Her trademarks while crooning sad, soft songs were a white gown and a white gardenia in her hair.

Billie Holiday, Queen Of the Blues, Is Dead

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Her room was flooded with telegrams of best wishes—from Frank Sinatra, Harry Belafonte, Count Basie, Tallulah Bankhead, to name a few.

But in the end, of course, she departed alone, her brown liveliness still an echo against the whiteness of her hospital pillow.

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Billie Holiday

NEW YORK

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BILLIE HOLIDAY

Atlanta Toasted Billie
Earlier This Very Year

When she snapped her finger the whole audience jumped for joy because swing was the thing, but when the lady cried the blues, everybody cried with her. For she was a lady — "Lady Day" — who could only be whipped by death that Friday snatched her from the ear range of jazz lovers everywhere.

"Lady Day," a name given to her by her late, great, saxophonist friend, Lester "Pres" Young, suffered for 46 days in a New York hospital before a kidney ailment and a failing heart overcame her stubbornness and silenced a heart that was forever fighting her weaknesses.

Narcotic, alcohol and one-night stands caused her trouble, but when the floodlights beamed on the white gown and the white gardenia in her hair, everyone but a "square" knew Billie Holiday had arrived again.

Daily World
In Atlanta March 29 of this year, she was apparently on her downhill skid toward the death that grabbed her and squeezed hard Friday morning. But Atlanta jazz fans only heard the swinging sound of the "greatest jazz singer of all times," and not the falling heart that was beating its last cadences.

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Music was her life, and she could really "knock" 'em dead" in her heyday. And although almost four months have passed since her Atlanta appearance, city promoters probably know that the swing she swung will be hard to replace on next year's musical calendar.

'Fight With Dope Is Not Over Until Death'

(See Other Story, Page 18)

Chicago, Ill. Sat. 7-25-59
NEW YORK — "There isn't a soul on this earth who can say for sure that their fight with dope is over until they're dead." *Defender* p. 1

Thus Billie Holiday wrote her own epitaph in autobiography published months before her death, in Metropolitan hospital here Friday morning. She was a victim of the dangerous and almost certain to habit. In her own words it's ended in fatality. One of these was

Miss Holiday's popularity was at a time when Billy, just past demonstrated Sunday afternoon 40, should have been in the prime while her body lay in state at of life. Her friends say Billie trod the wrong path while attempting Universal Chapel, 52nd and Lexington where thousands of persons to please some she loved enough of all walks of life viewed the to follow.
corpse. Famous singers, musicians and actors also jammed their way into Harlem's St. Paul Episcopal church where funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11:00. Lone survivor listed was her husband Louis McKay.

Billie's death robs singing circles of one of its greatest artists. As a vocalist she was one of the truly greats. An individualist in style and tone - appreciation. Her short, tricky sentences comprised lyrics; her child like tone and unmatched sweet voice stood alone in the field of her chosen profession. Her style appeared above copying by others during the long career she enjoyed. Now that Billie is gone youngsters may well adapt her exclusive style to their own bid for stardom.

CHECKERED CAREER

Billie Holiday's career was indeed checkered: Not by choice, her friends have always contended, but through association with

her signing a contract to appear at the famous Cafe Society, in downtown New York. For two years Billie enjoyed one holdover after another at the cafe. Salary was small but the spotlighting was terrific since most of the "bigs" of Broadway and Hollywood frequented the place nightly.

Then came Billie's big break. Frank Schiffman who operated the Apollo theatre in New York sent for Billie. One audition and she was hired for the next show at the then unbelievable salary of \$50 a week.

Count Basie who was main attraction at the theatre was interested in the new comer. He signed her for a tour with his band and as a result Billie Holiday's fame became a national item.

WITH ARTIE SHAW

Her next starring stint was with the band of Artie Shaw with which she toured for several months as vocalist. She was the first epian to appear as main vocalist with a white band.

After leaving Shaw Billie went out on her own as a single. Between performances on tours of theatres and the larger night clubs she found time to record several tunes. She recorded with Basie, Benny Goodman, Shaw and several units assembled for her and her records were always best sellers. She also starred in numerous concerts that included such halls as Carnegie Hall. This was only natural since the real story of her career is "from obscurity of streets of Harlem to Carnegie Hall."

Unfortunately for Billie and world's jazz fans Billie became involved with narcotics after eloping with Jimmy Monroe, Harlem cafe baron in 1941. She went to an expensive private sanatorium to try to break the habit. However, some six years later she had returned to the habit was arrested and sent to the Federal Women's Reformatory at Alderson, W. Va.

CAN NEVER SHAKE IT

However all this proved hopless. For in Billie's own words something lingered. That something? "There isn't a soul on this earth who can say for sure that their fight with dope is over until they are dead."

Her latest husband, Louis McKay stood by Billie all the way. He had been with her until a few moments before her death. Perhaps the best story of Billie's activity and of what was to be

expected came from her manager Joe Glaser. Upon leaving hospital where Billie had just been placed under technical arrest when discovered in possession of narcotics, Glaser had this to say: "Sickness is not direct result of her using dope. It's the result of a concoction of everything she's done in last twenty years. She began drinking heavily after she beat the narcotics habit and neglected her health."

The concoction rushed the end for "Lady Day."



BILLIE HOLIDAY

Singer Billie Holiday, 44, Dies In Hospital

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Technically, she was under arrest and, in death, she slipped the bonds of the law for the last time. A long-time dope addict, a packet of heroin was found in her hospital bed after her admittance May 31. For a time there was a police guard on her door but it was eventually removed.

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Billie Holiday Dies Here at 44; Jazz Singer Had Wide Influence

Sat. 7-18-59
Billie Holiday, famed jazz singer, died yesterday in Metropolitan Hospital. Her age was 44. The immediate cause of death was given as congestion of the lungs complicated by heart failure.

Miss Holiday had lived at 26 West Eighty-seventh Street. She had been under arrest in her hospital bed since June 12 for illegal possession of narcotics.

Miss Holiday set a pattern during her most fruitful years that has proved more influential than that of almost any other jazz singer, except the two who inspired her, Louis Armstrong and the late Bessie Smith.

Miss Holiday became a singer more from desperation than desire. She was named Eleanora Fagan after her birth in Baltimore. She was the daughter of a 13-year-old mother and a 15-

and when this failed she started along Seventh Avenue in Harlem one night looking for any kind of work.

At Jerry Preston's Log Cabin, a night club, she asked for work as a dancer. She danced the only step she knew for fifteen choruses and was turned down. The pianist, taking pity on her, asked if she could sing. She brashly assured him that she could. She sang "Trav'lin' All Alone" and then "Body and Soul" and got a job—\$2 a night for six nights a week working from midnight until about 3 o'clock the next afternoon.

Recommended to Goodman

Miss Holiday had been singing in Harlem in this fashion for a year or two when she was heard by John Hammond, a jazz enthusiast, who recommended her to Benny Goodman, at that time a relatively unknown clarinet player who was the leader on occasional recording sessions.

She was her first recording, "Your Mother's Son-in-Law" in November, 1933, singing one nervous chorus with a band that included in addition to Mr. Goodman, Jack Teagarden, Gene Krupa and Joe Sullivan.

Two years later Miss Holiday started a series of recordings with groups led by Teddy Wilson, the pianist, which established her reputation in the jazz world. On many of these recordings the accompanying musicians were members of Count Basie's band, a group with which she felt a special affinity. She was particularly close to Mr. Basie's tenor saxophonist, the late Lester Young.

It was Mr. Young who gave her the nickname by which she was known in jazz circles—Lady Day. She in turn created the name by which Mr. Young was identified by jazz bands, "Pres." She was the vocalist with the Basie band for a brief time during 1937 and the next year she signed for several months with Artie Shaw's band.

Miss Holiday came into her own as a singing star when she appeared at Cafe Society in New York in 1938 for the major part of the year. It was at Cafe Society that she introduced one of her best-known songs, "Strange Fruit," a biting depiction of a lynching written by Lewis Allen.

During that engagement, too, she established trademarks that followed her for many years—the swatch of gardenias in her hair, her fingers snapping

lazily with the rhythm, her head cocked back at a jaunty angle as she sang.

Arrested in 1947

In 1947, a cloud that had been gathering over Miss Holiday and which was to cover the rest of her career, burst on her. She was arrested for a narcotics violation and, at her own request, was committed to a Federal rehabilitation establishment at Alderson, W. Va., for a year and a day in an attempt to rid herself of the habit.

Ten days after her release Miss Holiday gave a concert at Carnegie Hall to a packed house but, although she appeared at concert halls in New York from time to time after that, she was not allowed to appear in New York night clubs. As a result of her narcotics conviction, she could not get the necessary cabaret license.

During the Nineteen Fifties Miss Holiday's voice began to lose its useful elasticity. This, combined with occasional brushes with narcotics agents, made her last years difficult, although she continued to record frequently.

Miss Holiday appeared in a film, "New Orleans," in 1946 and was featured in a Broadway revue for a short run a few years later. In 1954 she made a tour of Europe and was featured in a widely acclaimed television program, "The Sound of Jazz," in 1958.

She is survived by her husband, Louis McKay. A previous marriage, to Joe Guy, a trumpet player, ended in divorce.



Associated Press

Billie Holiday



BILLIE HOLIDAY

BILLIE HOLIDAY, SINGER, EXPIRES

Times Picayune
Rose to Fame Through Sordid Environment

New Orleans, La.
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Sat. 7-18-59
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For years, Miss Holiday fought to escape the confines of Harlem, with its crowded, noisome tenements. Friday, at last, she made her escape eternal.

Miss Holiday will repose at a midtown funeral chapel until Tuesday morning. Then, after a funeral Mass at St. Paul the Apostle Roman Catholic church on W. 59th St. she will be buried in Brooklyn—about as far away from Harlem as it is possible to get in New York City.

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CONTRACT AWAITED

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Her room was flooded with telegrams of best wishes—from Frank Sinatra, Harry Belafonte, Count Basie, Tallulah Bankhead, to name a few.

Lady Day's last major concert appearance was Sept. 13, 1958, at Town Hall. Her last public appearance was at an off-Broadway theater shortly before she collapsed in her apartment and was taken unconscious to the hospital. Her last record was a long-playing disc entitled "Lady Sings the Blues." It came out this spring.

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ON MARIJUANA AT 14

Miss Holiday was born Eleanora Fagan in Baltimore, Md., April 7, 1915, descendant of a white Irish woman and a Negro man. Her father played in a band.

Billie heard her first jazz as a child in a Baltimore brothel where she ran errands for the madam and the girls. She was on marijuana at 14, on heroin at 25.

Miss Holiday adopted her stage name by borrowing from Billie Dove, an old-time movie star, and from a branch of her own family

named Holiday.
She came to New York in 1923
and sang for tips in Harlem night
spots. It was there that her ren-
dition of "Traveling all Alone,"
started her up the ladder. Her
first husband was her manager of
that era, Jimmie Monroe.

Reporter's Row

By SAMUEL HOSKINS

*Lone grief is pounding me,
Like the lonely shadows, it's hounding me.
It's always there just out of sight,
Like a frightening dream on a lightning night.*

—From Billy Holiday's Decca recording of

"Deep Song" by George Cory and Douglass Cross.
More than any other singer of her generation, Billie
Holiday's songs tell the story of her life.
And more than all the others, her "Deep Song" is
the core of the symbol. *Baltimore, Md.*

This conclusion is based on a number of conversa-
tional interviews I had with her over a 12-year period,
extending from 1944 to 1956.

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THE FIRST was in Newark, N.J., and the others in
Philadelphia, New York City, Washington and here in Bal-
timore where she was born.

The Jersey and New York interviews were during
the heyday of her career. They were the most colorful.

The Philadelphia meeting was after her 10-month pris-
on term. She was both sadder and wiser. It was more
revealing, for she talked more about herself.

The Washington meeting, at a mid-winter dance, was
the saddest. It foreshadowed the ultimate tragedy of her
life.

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IT WAS A tragedy which attained full bloom at 3:10
a.m., last Friday, when Billie Holiday (tagged "Lady
Day" by Lester Young) died in a charity ward at
Metropolitan Hospital in New York City.

She earned over a million dollars during her 30-year
uphill, downhill career. When she died there was only 70
cents in her bank account. She is said to have had \$750 in
\$50 bills taped to an ankle.

Lonely wind cries out my name

Sad as haunted music in the rain.

*It's born of grief and it's born of woe,
But I hear it call and I've got to go.*

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HER VIBRANT voice, dubbed by critics "a petulant
sex-edged moan," was gone—stilled.

So the cycle was complete at 44. It began in Balti-
more, April 7, 1915, stemming from a mother only 13
and a father a mere youth of 15.

When she was six she awoke one morning to find
her grandmother dead of dropsy on the floor pallet be-
side her.

When other members of the family found them, rigor
mortis had set in. To get the child out of the old woman's
grasp, it was necessary to break an arm.

As a result of shock, the child was confined to a
hospital for a month.

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HER FATHER died when she was 12. A guitarist, he
traveled with such bands as Lucky Millender and Fletcher
Henderson. He was on a tour in Texas when stricken.

Fourteen years later Billie told me during one of sev-
eral Newark interviews: "They killed my father."

Reference was refusal of a white hospital to admit
him, although he was a veteran of World War 1, until he
practically was at the point of death.

She was not bitter, only resigned to tragedy. The day

Lady Day, Good-bye

before she attended her mother's funeral. Looking at the
black arm-band she wore, she said: "I've lost everything
I had."

THE NEWARK appearance was a one-night stand
with Joe Guy's orchestra. At the time Guy was posing
as her husband.

During intermission I went with her to a private club
operated by James Fultz, who at that time was state
president of the Elks.

At the club she undertook to drown her sorrow in
double splashes of bourbon—straight.

According to her book, "Lady Day Sings The Blues,"
she acquired the "drowning habit" two years after her
father's death when she worked as an errand girl in a
Long Branch, N.J., call-house. She was 14.

First it was liquor, later marihuana. The heroin habit
didn't come until after she had become the torch singer
toast of Broadway, after a measure of fame with Count
Basie and Artie Shaw.

Where can I be headed for?

The blues crawled in my door

To lick my heart once more.

Love lives in a lonely land

Where there's no helping hand to understand.

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HER FIRST recordings were with a then unknown
bandleader, Benny Goodman.

The very first was "Your Mother-in-law's Son," a
theme which even then foreshadowed her famous matter
of later years, "My Man."

In 1954 I met her again at the Rendezvous Club in Phila-
delphia. Between songs she sat at the bar with me, eating
mustard-saturated cheese and crackers, washing it down
with gin and ginger-ale.

This was six years after her release from the Federal
Reformatory in Alderson, W. Va., where she has been
sent June 4, 1947, by Federal Judge J. Cullen Ganey.

The jurist levied the sentence after she told him:
"I would like to plead guilty and be sent to a hospital."

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ASSISTANT DISTRICT Attorney Joseph Hildenberg-
er told the court Guy started her on the drug habit.
He said that during the year prior to her arrest she
spent as much as \$500 a week for drugs, often paying
\$200 to \$300 for a shot costing only \$5 to \$10.

I asked her if she recalled our Jersey meeting when
she was with Guy's band.

"You mean," she corrected, "when Joe Guy's band
was with Billie Holiday."

SHE TALKED about love and men in her life, rattling
off a list of names. It seemed, she said, that something
always happened to things she loved. Somebody even
poisoned her big Boxer dog, "Mister," she stated.

She vowed never to love anything or anybody again.
This was as near as I ever saw her come to bitterness.

But the mood didn't last. A few minutes later she
was thumbing through one of the many comic books she
always carried with her, laughing like a little girl.

Why does it (love) bring this ache to me?

Why? It don't matter why.

I only know misery

Has to be part of me.

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AS MISERABLE as Billie's life must have been,
there also were highlights.

Twice she won the Esquire magazine award as the

top female vocalist of the country. One of the awards
was presented by Arthur Godfrey.

After her prison stint, her Carnegie Hall concert
made come-back history. A week later she broke at-
tendance records at a Broadway theatre with a five-day
concert, Al Wilde's "Holiday on Broadway."

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OF HER prison term she said: "Sure, I made a
mistake, a costly one, and I paid for it. But now I just
want peace of mind. I want to sing."

But narcotic agents hounded her. So did the drug
peddlers whom she dubbed "The cancer of our society."

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ONE OF HER post-prison recordings symbolized
getting rid of the drug habit as a "Rocky Mountain."
She vowed "I'll climb that 'Rocky Mountain' if it's
the last thing I do."

Her attempt to scale the lofty peak included buying
\$30,000 worth of clothing, including a fur coat; an auto-
mobile, a plot of land in Morristown, N.J., and even
going to a psychiatrist in San Francisco.

But in the end she slid back into the valley of addic-
tion.

Never hope to count on love

To be a partner of this lonely dove;

Never hope to understand.

Love is a lonely land.

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THE WASHINGTON meeting was the last time I saw
her. That night at the dance at the Willard Hotel it was
easy to tell she was on the stuff again. She was in such
a daze she had to be led to and from the bandstand.

After the song, as they escorted her toward the
elevator, I ran to her and said "Hello, Billie." She said
"hello." She didn't recognize me.

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THEY PUT her inside the car, the elevator door
closed and she was gone.

Standing there on the outer fringe of that dancing
mob, watching the spot where "Lady Day" had been,
I knew for a certainty that was the last time we would
meet.

Deep inside I whispered: "Good-bye, Billie; Good-
bye."

Harry Wills, Boxing's Famed 'Black Panther' Laid To Rest In NY

New York (AP)—Scores of ring celebrities and other dignitaries Friday attended funeral services for Harry Wills, former heavyweight contender, who was known universally as the "Black Panther."

The services were held in the chapel of the Walter B. Cooke Funeral Home, 117 W. 72nd St., in this city. Burial followed in Woodlawn Cemetery.

One of ringdom's immortal Wills during his lifetime amassed a comfortable fortune, but the goal he sought most—the heavyweight title—eluded him.

The man who stood between Harry and the title was Jack Dempsey, known then as "Big Boy" and as the "Manassa Mauler." Wills tried hard to get him into the ring for a title showdown, but was unsuccessful.

At one time, Wills collected \$50,000 for a match with Dempsey which never came off. That was in 1924, shortly after Wills, in the views of ring observers, gave Louis Angel Firpo, the Argentina wild bull, a good going over, in a 12 round no-decision brawl in Jersey City, N. J. Firpo had knocked Dempsey out of the ring in their memorable meeting, and his fight with Wills, besides netting the "Black Panther" \$150,000, raised the latter's stock.

The stage was set for a possible million-dollar fight between Dempsey and Wills, but the Dempsey camp failed to go through with the match. One report had it that Tex Richard, top promoter of the era, was opposed to a "mixed match." Another held that Dempsey's lawyers forfeited the champ's \$50,000 purse because of the racial issue. Wills, a Negro, maintained that the race

angle prevented the match. He remained a friend of Dempsey.

In and out of the ring, Wills was as crafty as they come. Inside the ropes, he could punch and box with equal dexterity. He was a master of the arts of feinting and sidestepping.

Outside the ring, Wills was a shrewd businessman who invested wisely. No spend thrift, he invested his money in real estate, and at the time of his death had considerable holdings in Harlem and the Bronx.

One of the legends about Wills concerns his habit of dieting, an annual affair. He is known to have fasted 30 days at a time solely on water and liquids. During the fasting he walked 12 miles a day and slept only four or five hours a night. He imposed the diet to "burn off the impurities" in his body. Whether or not he accomplished this, he remained healthy until recently.

He entered the hospital Dec. 8 for appendicitis, and died early last week.

A native of New Orleans, Wills fought from 1911 to 1934, engaging in some 200 official fights.

He also fought Sam Langford, another great heavyweight of that generation, 22 times. Many of the heavyweights at the time feared to touch gloves with Langford.

It is estimated Wills earned some \$500,000 with his fists.



HARRY WILLS

Cooke, The Music Man, Dies In N.Y.

He was staff composer for several Detroit music publishing houses and later held executive posts with RKO, Radio City Music Hall and the W. C. Handy Publishing Co. In Chicago he organized and conducted his own band at White City called "Dr. Cooke and his 14 Doctors of Syncopation."

Musicians in New York City and across the nation were shocked to learn of the death of the famous composer and arranger, Dr. Charles L. Cooke, who died of a stroke at his home in Wurtsboro, N. Y. yesterday.

Dr. Cooke was born in Louisville, Ky. 1891 and began music instruction at an early age with his mother. He showed an aptitude for theory, composition and orchestration, and earned degrees at Chicago Musical College under Doctor of Music at the Chicago College of Music, one of few Negro musicians to hold that academic title.

His orchestral scores and arrangements include: Mike Todd's "Hot Mikado"; "John Henry"; "Cabin in the Sky"; "Banjo Eyes"; "Sadie Thompson"; "Follow the Girls"; "Bot Friend"; and others. Among his best known songs were "I Wonder Where my Lovin Man has Gone," "Messin' Around," "Blame it on the Blues" and "Lovin you the Way I Do." Dr. Cooke was a well known and highly respected figure in the Broadway music business, a member of 802 Local, ASCP (1940) Negro Actors Guild, and Handy Foundation for the blind. He leaves a wife, sister, relatives, and a host of friends.

Noted Composer Of Jazz To Symphony Dies In New York Home

NEW YORK. — (UPI) — George Antheil, 58, noted composer who introduced jazz to the symphony hall and symphonic music to the first American to hold this post. After his return from Germany in 1933, Antheil lived in Hollywood where he was composer for both Paramount and Columbia studios. He believed serious music could be written for the film and composed symphonic movie music that set a new standard for the industry.

Antheil was an innovator who had composed for opera, musical comedy, symphonies, films and television and had many "firsts" to his credit. His early works posed such a sensation here and abroad that he was dubbed "The Bad Boy Of Music," a title he used for his autobiography in 1945. One of his last works was a musical titled "The Happy Journey" which is scheduled for Broadway production next season with Alfred Drake in a lead role. His last FPM score was for "The Pride And The Passion."

In 1922, the Berlin Philharmonic gave Antheil's "First Symphony" its premiere performance. The work included jazz themes, never before used in a symphonic work, and it set the critics on their ears. He prepared the way for George Gershwin and other "modern" composers.

Antheil's most controversial work was "Ballet Mecanique," which he said expressed his feelings about America, Africa and steel. This shocker was scored for xylophones, electric bells, a player piano, airplane propellers, whistles, rattles, two large pieces of tin and sewing machine motors. It caused a near riot when it was performed in Budapest and New York, but it was a hit in Paris where Antheil was a respected member of the Gertrude Stein circle of intellectuals. Having achieved international attention, Antheil was appointed assistant music director of the famed Berlin State theater, the first American to hold this post.

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His film credits included "The Scoundrel," "Once In A Blue Moon," "The Buccaneer" (1937), and "Make Way For Tomorrow." He had also written music for the CBS-TV series "Twentieth Century" and other television shows.

Dr. Charles Cook, Composer

Courier
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member of Local 802, ASCAP
(1940), Negro Actors Guild, and
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He leaves a widow, a sister,
other relatives and a host of
friends.

Editorials

Fifty Years of Advancement

Fifty years have elapsed since the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held its first national Negro conference in New York City, May 31-June 1, 1909.

It is illustrative of the state of race relations at the time that the holding of an interracial meeting was headlined in the daily press because colored and white American met in conference on a plane of equality.

There are many thousands of Americans who can remember race relations 50 years ago, and they are the citizens best able to appraise the improvement of the Negro's status over the half century and the tremendous contribution made to that end by the NAACP.

'Pres.' Young Dies In N. Y.

Played In Kansas City In The 30's

Was Tenor Man With
Walter Page, Bennie
Moten, Count Basie

By BOB GREENE

Lester "Pres" Young, 50, recognized as one of the greatest exponents of his instrument, is dead. The famed saxophonist died Sunday, March 15, at the Alvin hotel in New York.

Born in Woodville, Miss., Young first gained recognition with his advance tenor solos with the number of Kansas City bands — Walter Page's Blue Devils, Bennie Moten's band and Count Basie's band.

Like so many of the jazz greats

Lester received his early training travelling with a minstrel show. Soon after 1927, Walter Page and his Blue Devils were touring Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Missouri with Lester playing tenor sax and — later — Count Basie playing piano.

"Pres" moved on to the Bennie Moten band, one of the best to come out of Kansas City, and stayed on when Moten died and Basie took over.

Started Cool School

"If the cool style may be described as unexcited, quiet — all most dreamy — behind-the-beat yet striving for a feeling of relaxed swing (and many modern musicians would agree with this) the cool manner of playing jazz had its first outstanding exponent in Lester Young," says Marshall Stearns in his book, "The Story of Jazz."

Lester played behind the beat described as lag-along. A little later, Erroll Garner made it part of his piano style. Since then he has become a model for not only saxophonists but for jazz musicians in general. In the book "Just Jazz, Vol. 2," edited by Sinclair Traill and the Hon. Gerald Lascelles, even the

great Charlie Parker, another Kansas City musician, is listed as being influenced by "Pres."

"Although . . . Parker insisted that he was not influenced by any other saxophonist, it is very hard to dismiss the resemblances in tone and phrasing between his work with Ray McSham and Lester Young's earlier solos with Basie."

First Recorded in 1936

Lester is one of the most recorded musicians alive. He made his first venture in October, 1936, with a quintet from the Basie band. At the time, his style of playing seemed revolutionary as he swung through "Lady Be Good" on Vocalion label.

"Pres" was the featured soloist with Basie from 1936 to 1940, when he went out on his own.

Young toured for a number of years with the Jazz at the Philharmonic, playing a numerous small towns and undoubtedly influencing more and more young musicians.

High mass Tuesday for Billie Holiday

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NEW YORK — Thousands of fans, show people and mourners are expected to crowd St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church Tuesday when high mass will be read for Billie Holiday, the one-time thrush "who could make sadness hauntingly beautiful."

Miss Holiday, who had been critically ill for the past six weeks, died early Friday morning at Metropolitan Hospital.

Death was due to lung congestion, complicated by heart failure.

A NATIVE of Baltimore, Miss Holiday — known to the entertainment world as "Lady Day" — had been until recent years the top song stylist of the country. She made her first recordings in 1933 with a new bandleader of that day, Benny Goodman.

Since then, both bandleader and singer skyrocketed to fame.

STARTING AS a singer at the age of 14, Miss Holiday, whose father was a musician, received only \$2 a night as a singer in a night spot in Long Branch, N.J.

At the crest of her career she received as much as \$4,000 a week. Her lifetime income is estimated at \$1,000,000.

She was the first colored singer to be signed with a white band, that of Artie Shaw. Before going with the Shaw group, she sang for a period with Count Basie's band.

AMONG HER classic recordings were such all-time hits as "Foolin' Myself," "I Must Have That Man," "I Cover the Waterfront," "Strange Fruit," and "Rocky Mountain."

Also among her top hit records was a song she wrote the words to, "You Better Go

Now," cut in 1947.

The last recording bearing her name was issued this spring. It is labelled "Lady Sings the Blues," and is a long playing 12-inch disc.

HER MOTHER was the late Mrs. Sadie Fagan Holiday of Baltimore, who died in early 1951. Her father was Clarence Holiday, a veteran of World War I, who was a guitarist for such bands as Fletcher Henderson and Lucky Millender.

He died in 1937 while traveling with a band in Texas.

Her legal name was Eleanor McKay, the wife of Louis McKay, whom she married 25 years ago while he served in the capacity of her personal manager.

For the 18 months prior to her illness they had been estranged. But he came to New York from California after she was admitted to the hospital.

HER FIRST husband was Jimmy Monroe, brother of Clark Monroe, manager of Harlem's famous Uptown House.

She borrowed the name Billie from Billie Dove whom she admired as a singer.

William Dufty, the writer who ghost-wrote her in the story of her life "Lady Day Sings the Blues," reports that shortly before she died she started a second book which was to have been entitled "Bless Your Bones."

Dufty states that the Monday prior to her death the first chapter of the book was sold to a magazine for \$750.

HE SAID that at the time of her death she had the money, all \$50 bills, strapped to an ankle.

The next day, Tuesday, she signed a contract to appear in a new movie due to have been shot in New York next fall.

Indian producer-director Vinod Pathak and screen play author discussed the film at her bed-

side. She was to play herself.

HER FATAL illness is believed to have resulted, indirectly, from her use of drugs to which she became addicted several years ago.

Her use of drugs became known to the public in 1947 when she pleaded guilty to a charge of possessing and using heroin.

A federal judge sentenced her to a year and a day in a reformatory in West Virginia.

She served 10 months of the term, getting two months off for good behavior. Following her release, she appeared at Carnegie Hall in a record-breaking concert.

HOWEVER, about a year later she was arrested in San Francisco on a drug charge. The jury exonerated her after she accused her manager of attempting to frame her.

During the early days of her recent confinement police placed a guard at her bedside after she was found to have obtained drugs while in bed.

However, recently the guards have been removed.

The body will be at a midtown funeral parlor until Tuesday morning when it will be removed to the church. Interment will be in a cemetery in Brooklyn.

Mrs. Spaulding, Wife Of Final Honors Are Paid Durham Insurance Official To Mrs. N. H. Simmons

DURHAM, N. C. — Mrs. Mae Frances Bass Spaulding of 614 Dupree street, Durham, wife of C. C. Spaulding, Jr., general counsel of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance company, and daughter of Mrs. Maude L. Bass and the late Dr. Urbane F. Bass of Raleigh, N. C., died Sunday, Feb. 1, at 11:30 p.m.

Mrs. Spaulding was born in Fredericksburg, Va., where she attended the public schools. She was a graduate of Shaw university and had done graduate work at Columbia university.

FOR NEARLY thirty years, she was a teacher in the city school system of Durham, having been a member of the faculties of Hillside high school and Whitted junior high school. On September 1, 1936, she was married to Mr. Spaulding.

She was a member of White Rock Baptist church, District 15, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; the Links, the Quettes, Little Slam Bridge club, and Model Mothers club.

SURVIVED BY: her husband and one son C. C. Spaulding, III; her mother, Mrs. Maude Bass; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Newsome of Charleston, W. Va., and Mrs. Anne Sterling of Washington, D. C., and a brother, Dr. Urbane F. Bass of Los Angeles, Calif.

Funeral services were held at White Rock Baptist church, Thursday, Feb. 5, at 3:45 p.m. with the Rev. Miles Mark Fisher, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Beechwood cemetery.



MRS. MAE SPAULDING
Mourned At Durham

Final Honors Are Paid To Mrs. N. H. Simmons

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Funeral services were held here last week at Providence Baptist church for Mrs. Naomi H. Simmons, recorder in the registrar's office at A. and T. College for 10 years.

Mrs. Simmons, a native of Richmond, Va., who came here in 1927 to take the college post died in a local hospital.

The rites for Mrs. Simmons were conducted by the National Spiritual Bahai assembly of Greensboro.

OFFICIATING were Mrs. Terra Coward Smith and Miss Kathryn Potter, officials of the local assembly who were assisted by Rev. Lorenzo A. Lynch, pastor of the church, and Rev. J. E. Prower, pastor of St. Matthews Methodist Church in Greensboro. Interment followed at the local Piedmont cemetery.

The deceased was president of the board of the Metropolitan Day nursery, a past board member of the Greensboro YWCA, and was a member of the women's auxillary of the L. Richardson Memorial hospital. She was an administrative assistant with the USO here during war years.

MRS. SIMMONS is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Naomi Mac Neal; two sons, Llewelyn and Dmdom, all of Chicago; two stepdaughters, Miss F. Bettye Simmons, Baltimore, and Miss Sidella B. Simmons of Washington D. C. and a sister, Mrs. J. M. Martena of Greensboro.

Her husband, S. B. Simmons, state supervisor of vocational agriculture, died in 1957.

Many Attend Funeral For Slain Greensboro Officer

GREENSBORO, N. C. — More than 1,500 persons jammed the Harrison Auditorium at A&T College this week to pay final tribute to Joe D. Massey, Greensboro police officer who was slain while on duty.

More than 200 law enforcement officers from the city, state and federal governments, along with a big contingent from Greensboro Fire Department, served as honorary pall bearers. All dressed in uniform except a group of detectives, they marched in a long line to the auditorium. That group was led by Chief of Police Paul Calhoun who described Massey as "one of our very best officers."

Other prominent city officials, members of the city council, local judges and other prominent court officials attended the funeral. Twenty - odd colored police officers represented the police departments of Sanford, Fayetteville, High Point, Winston-Salem and other nearby towns.

SLAIN BY CABBIE

Cpl. Massey, one of the first group of colored police officers employed in Greensboro twelve years ago, lay dead after being shot five or six times early on Sunday morning, May 31, by a person identified as Joseph Herring, a local taxi driver. Herring is charged with first degree murder, following a preliminary hearing and is being held for Superior Court without bail.

Police state that Herring told them he became angry after Massey gave him a citation for obstructing traffic. Herring is reported as saying he went home, got a pistol and gunned Massey down as the latter was filling out police report forms at a desk at a filling station.

Massey, the first Greensboro police officer to be slain in line of duty in 26 years, was buried on Wednesday at Cofield, N. C.

Mayor Roach, in a written statement distributed to those attending the funeral said in part, "Massey was a devoted, trustworthy and competent city employee. In his untimely death he died courageously - a good police officer."

Mrs. Bessie Whitted Praised

By ASA T. SPAULDING

(President, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co.)

Littlesburg, Va.

An unusually great career began on April 15, 1889, when Bessie Alberta Johnson was born in the city of Charlotte, N. C.

This career ended Aug. 1, 1959, when Bessie Alberta Johnson Whitted died in Durham, N. C.

Between these two dates, "Miss Bessie" as she was affectionately known, built up a most remarkable record in the business world. It has often been said that she has handled more money than any other woman of the Negro group and has never missed accounting for every penny of it. This statement has not as yet been challenged.

Her life has been an inspiration to thousands of children, young people, parents, and even the aged. As a young woman,

Editor's Note: The column of Mr. Muhammad, usually published in this space, is not published this week because the Courier was informed by Mr. Muhammad's secretary that Mr. Muhammad is ill and unable to write his column.

she defied the prevailing common belief 50 years ago that a career in business was impossible. Farm and domestic work, and the teaching profession, offered the major outlets for employment of Negro women at that time, but "Miss Bessie," with fortitude, courage, and determination accepted the challenge, and after graduating

from Barber-Scott Seminary in 1905 began a business career with the People's Benevolent and Relief Association of Charlotte.

This company was subsequently reinsured by the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association, and in 1906 "Miss Bessie" formed her first connection with North Carolina Mutual. Her keen insight and her unusual ability were soon recognized and she became one of the key persons among the home office personnel of the company. November, 1916, she was appointed cashier and bookkeeper, remaining in that position until March, 1949, when she was elected assistant treasurer and cashier, which position she held until her retirement, July 1, 1957, after more than 50 years with the company—one of the two longest service records in the history of the company.

"Miss Bessie" was very active in the religious, civic, and social affairs of Durham and the nation. She devoted much of her time in promoting the activities of the women of St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church. She was president of the Merrick Moore Memorial Park Association which promotes the Algonquin Tennis Club. This organization has sponsored many tennis tournaments, bringing to Durham outstanding tennis players from throughout America. Through her interest and love for youth, Durham developed some of the best tennis players in America, and several of the tennis champions had the opportunity to play in Durham under her sponsorship, including the world's champion, Althea Gibson.

In recent years "Miss Bessie" devoted much of her time to the youth of her city, and organized the "Youth Wants to Know" forum of the W. D. Hill

Recreation Center. For the part she played in the development of the recreational program of Durham, the Hon. E. J. Evans presented her a citation from the city of Durham on June 16, 1959. She organized Rho Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, serving as its president for several years and also as one of the sorority's national officers. "Miss Bessie's" last formal appearance at the home office, where she delivered the meditation hour address during the company's 60th anniversary celebration, will linger in the memory of her associates for many years to come.

An unusual personality and a natural leader, placed her in position to be generally recognized as "Durham's Official Hostess." It has been my pleasure to have been associated with "Miss Bessie," in one way or another, during my entire career with North Carolina Mutual. She is certainly listed among the other pioneering officers and representatives as having contributed much to the growth and success of the company.



MRS. B. J. WHITTED, FORMER NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL OFFICIAL PASSES— Mrs. B. J. Whitted, retired assistant treasurer and cashier of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, died at Lincoln Hospital Sunday morning, August 1. Funeral services were held Monday, August 3, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church, conducted by the Rev. Melvin Chester Swann, her pastor. Interment was in Beechwood cemetery. Mrs. Whitted retired July 1, 1957, after being associated for 50 years with North Carolina Mutual and its predecessor, the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Assn. of Durham.

Mrs. Whitted, Retired Insurance Official, Dies

Journal & Guide
Norfolk, Va.
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A NATIVE of Charlotte, she began her business career in 1905 with People's Benevolent and Relief Association of that city. She joined North Carolina Mutual in 1906 and was appointed cashier and bookkeeper in 1916. She was elected assistant treasurer and cashier of the company in 1949.

Mrs. Whitted was an active leader in church, civic, and community projects. She devoted much of her time to the activities of the women of St. Jo-

ganizer and sponsor of the "Youth Wants To Know Forum" at the W. D. Hill Recreation Center, and aided the Algonquin Tennis Club in promoting local tennis tournaments.

SHE RECEIVED a citation from the City of Durham last year for her contributions to community recreation programs. On April 12 of this year, Mrs. Whitted was honored by the Junior Mother's Club with a "This Is Your Life" program at Duke auditorium of North Carolina College.

About 60 persons participated on the program in paying tribute to Mrs. Whitted, including tennis champion Althea Gibson, Jean Capers, City Councilwoman of Cleveland; Dr. Sara B. Cordery, of Barber Scotia College; Dr. Alfonso Elder, president of North Carolina College; John H. Wheeler, president of Mechanics and Farmers Bank, and Asa T. Spaulding, president of North Carolina Mutual.

MRS. WHITTED was organizer of Rho Chapter and a former national officer of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, and a member of many other civic and social organizations. She is survived by a grandniece, Mrs. Nannie Lyons Griffin of Fairbanks, Alaska; and two grandnephews, Harrison G. Lyons of Butner, N. C. and Charles Lyons of Oxford, N. C.



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MRS. B. A. J. WHITTED
Mourned

seph's Church, and was president of the Merrick Moore Park Association. She was or-

Bishop Ransom Buried in Ohio

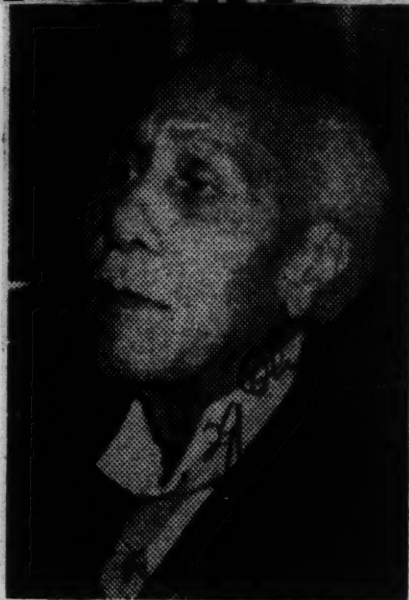
WILBERFORCE, Ohio — The oldest Bishop in the history of the A.M.E. Church, who was lost to the denomination when Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom died at his home on April 22. Born in Flushing, Ohio, Jan. 4, 1861, the deceased was 98 years three months and 18 days old.

Reverdy Cassius Ransom was the son of George and Harriet Ransom. He was converted in 1881 and licensed to preach in 1883. He pastored churches in Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts and New York, and was editor of the A.M.E. Review from 1912 to 1924 when he was elected a Bishop in the church.

His civic interest led him to aspiring for a seat in Congress in New York. He served on the parole board of Ohio from 1937 to 1941 and prayed the opening prayer at the Democratic National Convention in 1940.

THE DECEASED WAS the first president and one of the founders of the National Fraternal Council of Churches; served as member of the executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches and as chairman of its Race Relations Commission; presided over the Seventh, Thirteenth and Third Episcopal Districts in the order mentioned and served as chairman of the trustees boards of Allen and Wilberforce Universities at different intervals.

Bishop Ransom was an eloquent and convincing speaker, and author and writer of renown. Among his writings are: "School Days at Wilberforce"; "Study and Destiny," "The Negro," and the Year Book of the A.M.E. Church. Bishop Ransom represented the A.M.E. Church in several ecumenical meetings, one in London in 1901, Toronto in 1911, in London in 1921, and at Springfield, Mass., in 1947. He was first



BISHOP RANSOM

buried in Ohio president and one of the founders of the National Fraternal Council of Churches.

He made a trip to Liberia to represent his church after he was past 90. He was also interested in having the first South African student enroll at Wilberforce University.

Funeral services for the venerable Bishop were held on April 28, in the Chapel of the Living Savior of Payne Theological Seminary at Wilberforce, Ohio. Bishop Frank Madison Reid, president of the A.M.E. Bishops Council presided, and Bishop Joseph Gomez of the Fourth Episcopal District delivered the principal eulogy.

Wilberforce University Choir sang. Mrs. Roberta Alexander rendered a solo. Three-minute expressions were delivered by members of the Bishops Council and by general officers. Dr. Rembert Stokes, president of Wilberforce University, and Dr. C. S. Spivey, Dean of Payne Seminary, also spoke.

Messages were received from every section of the country paying tribute to the outstanding leadership of the oldest living Bishop in the history of the A.M.E. Church.

AME Bishop Ransom Dies At Wilberforce

XENIA, Ohio — (UPI) — Retired Bishop Reverdy Cassius Ransom, 98, of the Third Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, died at his home in nearby Wilberforce Wednesday.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of the Living Saviour at Wilberforce College. Bishop Joseph Gomez of the Fourth District will officiate.

Bishop Ransom, born Jan. 4, 1861, at Flushing, Belmont County, retired as bishop in 1952. He had served in districts in Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio.

He served for 16 years as chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce College. He was a graduate of Wilberforce, Oberlin College and Payne Theological Seminary, at Wilberforce.

Ransom was the first Negro to be appointed to serve on the Ohio Pardon and Paroles Commission, being appointed to the post in 1937 by Gov. Martin L. Davey.

He had served churches in Altoona, Pa., Cleveland, Chicago, Boston, New York City, and Springfield, Ohio.

Noted Physician Succumbs; Was 94

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Dr. Middleton H. Lambright, a practicing physician for 60 years, died here Saturday at his home. He was 94.

The physician was born in Summerville, S. C., just a few months after his parents were freed from slavery.

HE ATTENDED Claflin university at Orangeburg, S. C., where he paid his way by working on a turpentine farm. Later, he received the medical degree at Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn.

HE FIRST practiced in Kansas City and moved to Cleveland in 1923. He was one of the founders of Forest City hospital here.

Survivors include a son and a daughter. Services were set for Wednesday at Shiloh Baptist church.

Charlotte Robinson

Charlotte Bronte Robinson, who taught music and art at State Teachers College in Bowie, Md., for the past 32 years, was to retire in nine days.

But the 66-year-old teacher, known to her students as "C.B.," died of a heart attack Monday at Freedmen's Hospital.

The body will lie in state at the college today from 4 to 9 p. m. with funeral services to be held at 2 p. m. Thursday in the Theodore McKeldin Gymnasium on the campus. Burial will be in Xenia, Ohio, her birthplace, on Saturday.



Miss Robinson

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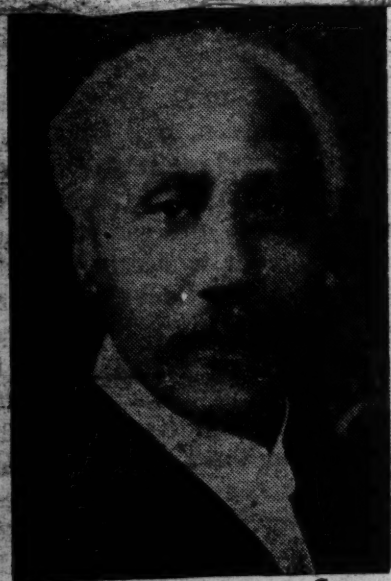
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98-Year-Old A. M. E. Retired Prelate Succumbs After Long Career of Service

Rt. Rev. Reverdy Cassius Ransom, 98, retired, passed away at his home, Tawawa Chimney Corner, Wilberforce, Ohio, Wednesday, April 29, at approximately 3 p.m.

Elected to the Episcopacy in 1924 at the General Conference meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, at which time he concluded approximately 12 years service as Editor of the A. M. E. Review, oldest Negro magazine published in the United States. During his years as Bishop, he served in the West Indies, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, South Carolina; and Ohio, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania at the time of his retirement.

In 1949, Bishop Ransom published a controversial autobiography, "The Pilgrimage of force, Ohio, Tues., April 28, at 11 a.m. Surviving are two sons, Reverdy II and Harold and his wife Myrtle Teal Ransom and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



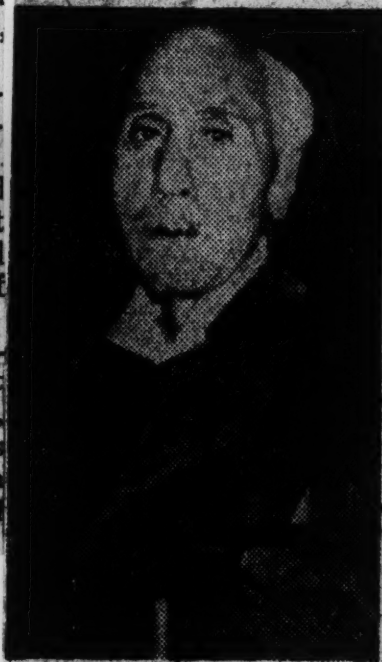
His Church Bombed By Gangsters

Churchman Also Led Drive Giving NYC Colored Policemen

BISHOP REVERDY C. RANSOM Harriet Ransom's Son" telling in blatant verity much of his background and rise to one of the top positions in the church denomination. Other literary contributions by the Bishop, "Preface to A. M. E. Church History" and a book of orations. He was a gifted and eloquent speaker, much in demand throughout both church and civic circles. His Harper's Ferry, W. Va. speech in 1909 in a memorial observance for John Brown produced the Niagara movement which later became the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He was also the first Negro member of the Parole Board of the State of Ohio.

Funeral services were held at Wilberforce University, Wilber-

Bishop Active In Many Areas



RT. REV. R. C. RANSOM

is mourned writer concluding his autobiography "The Pilgrimage of Harriett, Ransom's Son" and "Preface to A.M.E. Church History" and civic worker.

In the civic field, he led the effort that saw the first colored officer selected to the police force in New York City. This came just four years after he had single-handedly attacked a numbers racket ring in Chicago in 1903. Before he completed his mission, his church was bombed. Yet his campaign led to the indictment of over 100 numbers racket operatives.

HIS SPEECH at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., in 1909 in memorial of John Brown is said to have started the Niagara movement which developed into the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He was also the first Negro appointed to the Parole Board of the state of Ohio.

Rev. Mr. Ransom, reportedly took his first two names from two southern congressmen who fought against slavery. He retired in 1952 as bishop of the Third Episcopal District of the African Methodist

Episcopal Church, which comprises Ohio, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held at Wilberforce university, Tuesday, April 28. Surviving are two sons, Reverdy II and Harold; his wife, Myrtle Teal Ransom, and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Bishops' Dean Dies

Ohio-American
XENIA, Ohio — Bishop Reverdy Cassius Ransom, colored minister and prelate in the A.M.E. Church for 74 years, died in his Wilberforce home Wednesday at 98 years of age.

The militant clergyman, active in pushing, Ohio, led an eventful life throughout his career.

Reverdy Ransom served church for 74 years

being responsible for New York City's first colored policeman and leading a single-handed assault on a Chicago policy syndicate.

The prominent prelate of the Third A.M.E. District, which encompasses Ohio, western Virginia and western Pennsylvania, was knighted by the President of Liberia in a dramatic ceremony in his later years.

EDUCATED AT Wilberforce University and Oberlin College, the renowned bishop held pastorate in Cleveland, Chicago, Boston and New York before being promoted to a presiding bishopric in the Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas and Louisiana district.

He later was given bishop duties over the Ohio district where he served until his retirement in 1952.

An enemy of racketeering, Bishop Ransom saw his church bombed before he completed his mission to break up a Chicago policy syndicate in 1903.

His campaign resulted in the indictment of some 119 numbers racket people.

Four years later in New York City, the first colored police man was appointed to the force after Bishop Ransom's efforts.

DURING HIS long, illustrious career, he was named president of the Wilberforce University Board of Trustees and president of the Fraternal Council of Negro Churches.

Born on Jan. 4, 1861, Bishop Ransom was elected prelate and ordained at Louisville, Ky. in 1924, after years of study and training.

For 27 years he lived in Wilberforce. His outspoken distaste for discrimination was manifested in many speeches he delivered and his leadership was felt profoundly.

Twice married, the noted clergyman wed his second wife, Mrs. Myrtle Teal Ransom, when he was 83. She was then

THE BISHOP reportedly took his name from two southern politicians who were opposed to slavery.

An author and editor, Bishop Ransom's books include "The Future of Christianity and the Negro," and the "A.M.E. Church Yearbook."

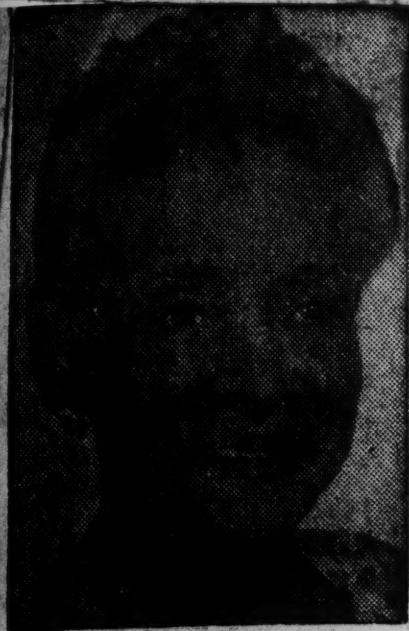
He was a Mason, a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Board of Pardon and director of the A.M.E. Church bureau of research and history. Funeral arrangements for the bishop were incomplete at press time.

IN ADDITION to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Harold Ransom of Montclair, N.J., and Reverdy C. Ransom of Oceanport, N.J.

Pioneer State Club Woman The Black Dispatch Passes While Attending Parley Oklahoma City Okla.

Arkansas' gift to Oklahoma in the person of Mrs. Maude J. Brockway expired suddenly last Saturday morning while living the part of a "gift", that is being of service to the receiver. Service is synonymous to Mrs. Brockway.

During her 50-odd years in Oklahoma, 34 of them were spent as president of the City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. She was an active member of Calvary Baptist church. She was the financial drive leader at Calvary and was recognized as a leading lay church woman.



MRS. M. J. BROCKWAY

Mrs. Brockway died Saturday morning in Okmulgee, Oklahoma while attending a meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the State Baptist Convention.

Funeral services will be held Friday, October 30, 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, with the Rev. M. A. Curry officiating.

Born in Curtis, Arkansas, as the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Edward Sterling, Mrs. Brockway was educated at Arkansas Baptist College, at Little Rock. She was awarded an honorary degree in theology by the School of Religion at Langston, University.

A living tribute to Mrs. Brockway was made when the community saw fit to name the Brockway Center for her. She was a loyal and dynamic leader in civic affairs as well as religious. She was a member of the Domestic Science Club and one of

the founders.

Fraternal organizations and the Amicae Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority of which she was a member will conduct services Thursday evening in Calvary at 8:00 P. M.

The body will lie in state from six to 7:00 p.m. Thursday in the church.

Mrs. Brockway is survived by: a husband of the home address; one daughter, Mrs. Inez Brockway Brewer, an art teacher in the Gary, Indiana Public School system; a nephew, Morris Mitchell, of the city one niece, Lucille Williams, of Chicago; another niece, Cleon Dozzell, of Little Rock, and host of loyal friends.

Interment will be at Trice Hill cemetery with McKay-Evans Funeral Home in charge.

Funeral Rites Next Sunday

Mrs. Mamie Henderson Taught School 50 Years

Persons lived several years in Newport News.

PHILADELPHIA — Mrs.

Mamie Hamlett Henderson, 79, died Sunday morning in a Philadelphia hospital where she had been a patient two weeks. She had been sick for six years, and was residing with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Wright, at 105 W. Sharpnack street, Germantown.

She was the wife of the Rev. H. M. Henderson, veteran Baptist minister in Virginia for a number of years, and the mother of three sons and two daughters who are prominent in educational circles in Virginia and Pennsylvania.

FUNERAL SERVICES will be held Sunday, Jan. 25, at Gravel Hill Baptist Church, Surry county, Va., at 3 p. m. with the Rev. H. A. Hill officiating. Mrs. Henderson was a member of this church over 50 years.

A native of Charlotte county, Va., Mrs. Henderson was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamlett. She graduated from Thynne Institute at Chase City, Va. in 1898, and she did further study at Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.

MRS. HENDERSON taught school for 50 years. She began her teaching career at Keysville Institute, Keysville, Va., which was later known as the Bluestone Harmony Institute. Later she taught at Nansemond Institute, Suffolk; Smallwood-Corey Institute, Clairmont, Va., and in the public schools of Surry county.

She married the Rev. H. M. Henderson in 1904. The Hen-

MRS. HENDERSON is survived by her husband, the Rev. H. M. Henderson; three sons, Dr. J. B. Henderson of Norfolk, pastor of Bank Street Baptist Church and president of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention; Dr. Thomas H. Henderson of Richmond, dean at Virginia Union University, and Welton H. Henderson, principal of the Lott Carey School of Norfolk; two daughters, Mrs. Pearl Wood, one of the music supervisors in the public schools of Richmond and Mrs. Mary Wright, a teacher in the Germantown High School; four grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Theresa Evans, formerly of Norfolk but now a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Mattie Adkins, Alexandria, Va.; one brother, John Hamlett, Cincinnati, and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Burial will be in the cemetery at Gravel Hill Baptist Church.

Noted Philadelphia Physician Succumbs

PHILADELPHIA — Dr. Norman L. Lee, a prominent North Philadelphia physician, died Sunday.

The deceased had been cited by the Government for services to the U. S. Selective Service System. He had also been honored by the Scholastic Medical Association.

Dr. Norman L. Lee, Negro Physician, Dies In Philadelphia

Word has been received here of the death in Philadelphia of a Negro physician who formerly resided in Charleston, S.C.

He was Dr. Norman L. Lee, who had practiced for 26 years. He suffered a heart attack at residence in Media, Pa.

Dr. Lee had been cited by Presidents Roosevelt and Truman for his contribution to the Armed Forces over a 15-year period. He became interested in medicine from a great-uncle, Arthur B. Lee, who established a small hospital at Summerville, S.C. which later was amalgamated into the Dorchester County Hospital there.

Dr. Lee studied at Avery Institute here and at Atlanta University. He was graduated in 1932 from Howard University's School of Medicine. He was given a life membership in that school's Alumni Assn. in 1947. He was cited by the Scholastic Medical Assn.

He was a member of the Pennsylvania, county and Philadelphia medical associations, the NAACP, YMCA, Psi Phi fraternity, Thaddeus Stevens Lodge, the Friends (Quaker) Neighborhood Guild and the Friends Meeting House of Upper Providence, Pa.

Surviving are his widow, the former India Ruth King; a son, William N. K. Lee; two sisters, Mrs. Louis J. Harper Jr. of Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Herbert H. Norton of Philadelphia; two brothers, Hawthorne E. Lee of New York and Dr. Leonard P. Lee of Sumter.

Funeral services and burial were in Philadelphia.

Dr. Norman L. Lee cited by Ike shortly before death

PHILADELPHIA — The wide and highly respected practice of Dr. Norman L. Lee, prominent North Philadelphia physician, is being carried on by his cousin, Dr. Clifton W. Lee. Dr. Norman Lee who had practiced for 26 years, died recently after a heart attack at his residence in Media, Pa. He was 55.

HIS CAREER, during which he achieved an outstanding record for service to humanity, was the culmination of the dream of a 6-year-old youngster.

His great-uncle, Arthur B. Lee was founder of a small hospital in Summerville, S.C. which later was amalgamated into the Dorchester County Hospital of today. This early philanthropy inspired his great nephew to take up the medical profession.

His preparatory and undergraduate study was done at Avery Institute in Charleston, S.C. and at Atlanta U. He was graduated from Howard University School of Medicine with honor in 1932.

After his first two years of practice, patients came to him in almost overwhelming numbers. This was because he wanted them to get well and stay well.

As a consequence, he developed a clinical method of practice, which was reputed to be the first outstanding private example of such in the East.

Realizing that dietary deficiencies are the basis of many illnesses, he printed and made available to his patients varied diets to meet varied needs.

He urged patients in need of prolonged treatment to come whether or not they could pay a fee. He never took chances on them when he felt the services of a specialist were needed. He did not send bills.

His offices were always equipped with the finest facilities



DR. NORMAN L. LEE

and staffed by competent professional personnel. Many a young physician received his second internship under Dr. Lee.

HIS ACHIEVEMENTS in and out of the field of medicine were broadly recognized. At the end of his junior year in Medical School he received a scholarship award which theretofore had been reserved for meritorious work through the senior year.

He was also cited for his achievement as an interne at the Freedmen's Hospital.

He established a revolving scholarship fund for medical students at his Alma Mater in honor of his wife. He was the first alumnus to establish such a fund.

He was awarded an honorary life membership by the Howard University Alumni Association in 1947. The Scholastic Medical Association also cited him for outstanding contribution to the profession.

He received citations from Presidents Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower for his contributed services to the Armed Forces over a period of 15 years, the last of which came shortly before his death.

He found time to continue to improve himself culturally and intellectually. He was an avid student of languages and music.

At his memorial services he was lauded by one of his professional associates for having mastered the fundamentals of the Spanish Language during the last year of his life.

AMONG DR. LEE'S affiliations were: Philadelphia County and State Medical Association; NAACP, YMCA, Psi Phi Fraternity;

Thaddeus Stevens Lodge; member of the Executive Committee of Friends (Quaker) Neighborhood Guild, and a member of Friends Meeting House of Upper Providence, Pa., in whose cemetery he was interred.

Dr. Lee was a member of an old Charleston, S.C., family who emigrated there from the Caribbean about 1789 as "free men of color."

His funeral services were conducted at the McCain Funeral Home with Father William D. Turner, Sr., rector of St. Augustine Church of the Covenant officiating. The following day, a memorial service was held at the Friends Meeting House.

He is survived by his wife, the former India Ruth King; a 16-year-old son, William N. K. Lee; two sisters and two brothers.

They are Mrs. Louis J. Harper Jr., a Louisville, Ky. school teacher; Mrs. Herbert H. Norton, a teacher in Philadelphia; Hawthorne E. Lee, director-secretary of Carver Federal Savings Loan Association in NYC; and Dr. Leonard P. Lee of Sumter, S.C.

Dr. E. J. Odom Sr.

AME Official Dies

PHILADELPHIA — Rev. Dr. E. J. Odom Sr., 67, Director of Evangelism for the African Methodist Episcopal Church since 1940, collapsed of a heart attack in front of Greater Mt. Olive A. M. E. Church, 19th and Fitzwater Sts., here Tuesday, while attending the Executive Board meeting of the General Board. Rushed to the Graduate Hospital University of Pennsylvania, he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Dr. Odom had answered the roll call of general officers of the church, when the meeting opened shortly after 10:00 a. m. During one of the recess periods he went outside and while in conversation with one of the ministers he collapsed. Efforts to revive him were made by Dr. T. J. Davis, Atlanta, State Senator Henry J. Maxwell, and Dr. R. W. Mance, Washington, D. C.

Born in Brewton, Alabama, he went to Georgia at an early age and there he began his ministerial career 45 years ago. He served as chaplain in World War I. He was a publisher of devotional literature and authored the quarterly devotional guide, "The Secret Chamber." He was serving as presiding elder of the Moultrie District, (Ga.) when he was elected Secretary of Evangelism at the General Conference of 1940 in Detroit, Michigan.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel, two sons, Rev. E. J. Odom Jr., Church Secretary, National Office of the NAACP, New York City, and former Navy Chaplain, Rev. Larry J. Odom, Pastor of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, Kansas City, Missouri. Funeral services will be held Thursday, (June 25) at St. Matthew A. M. E. Church, 57th and Summer St.

Dr. C. W. Maxwell

Dies in Phila. 80

PHILADELPHIA — Dr. Charles Wendell Maxwell died here at 80 years of age.

He practiced for 55 years in his office at 616 South 15th St. He was a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University and Howard University School of Medicine. He did post-graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania.

DR. MAXWELL WAS a native of Sumter, S. C., and the son of State Senator Henry J. Maxwell. He was a patron of the arts, a member of the Pyramid Club and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

He came from an illustrious family, whose history dates back to the Revolutionary War.

Childless, Dr. Maxwell is survived by his widow, Mrs. Pansy Miller Maxwell; a brother, Dr. A. D. Maxwell Sr., a dentist; and a host of nephews and nieces, among whom are Atty. Steven Maxwell, St. Paul Minn.; Mrs. Selina Reed, Chicago, Ill.; Atty. Cassandra Maxwell Birney, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. A. D. Maxwell Jr., Youngstown, Ohio; Mrs. Louise Maxwell Vincent, Orangeburg, S. C., and Dr. C. W. Maxwell II, a local educator.

Dr. E. J. Odom Sr.

buried in Mt. Lawn

By WILDA R. SMITH

PHILADELPHIA — Dr. Edward James Odom Sr., director of Evangelism of the African Methodist Church, was buried Friday in Mount Lawn Cemetery, Sharon Hill, Pa. A native of Marianna, Fla., he died suddenly June 23 after being stricken outside of Greater Mount Olive A. M. E. Church, 19th and Fitzwater Sts.

His death came as a shock to denominational leaders here of the Sixth Episcopal District, attending an executive session of the Church's General Board. He was 65.

DR. ODOM was scheduled to attend meetings of the Bishops Council and the Connectional Council. He was a member of the latter.

Funeral services, attended by high church dignitaries, were held Thursday afternoon at St. Paul's Church, Saint Matthews Church, with a near - capacity crowd in attendance. The mourners came from Philadelphia and vicinity and from nearly every part of the country where the A. M. E. Church operates.

THE BISHOPS' Council, presided over by the Rt. Rev. George W. Baber of Philadelphia, re - arranged its agenda for the closing day of its meeting in order that all of the episcopates might pay tribute to the distinguished evangelist.

Likewise, the Connectional Council, headed by Dr. Douglas L. T. Robinson, moved its afternoon program forward.

Eloquent words of praise were spoken for Dr. Odom, who rose to a position of high authority in the church, after having served as YMCA secretary and chaplain in World

War I. HE HAD entered the A. M. E. ministry at an early age, while teaching school in Mobile, Ala., and was the first man in his history of African Methodism to be elected to a General officership without salary.

Dr. Odom was elected director of Evangelism, in 1940, a newly created department. He was re - elected each four years thereafter, the last time in 1956 by the General Conference which met in Miami, Fla.

The Rt. Rev. W. R. Wilkes, of the Sixth Episcopal District, comprising Texas, gave the main eulogy. He is chairman of the Connectional Board on Evangelism.

He selected his subject from a portion of the 23rd verse of the 12th chapter of Second Book of Samuel: "I can not go to him, but he can return to me."

DR. G. WAYMAN BLAKELY, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Saint Louis Mo., spoke on behalf of the family. He thanked the hundreds who had dispatched all types of messages and expressions of condolence.

Brief but touching Connectional tributes were spoken by the Rt. Rev. R. R. Wright Jr., of the Fifth Episcopal District, embracing Los Angeles and the Far West), representing the Council of Bishops; Dr. Douglas L. T. Robinson of Asheville, N.C., representing the Connectional Council; Mrs. Hazel Gomez, of Detroit, president, the Fourth Episcopal District's Woman's Missionary Society, who represented Dr. Anne E. Heath, Connectional president;

DR. T. J. DAVIS, of Atlanta, Ga., representing the Department of Evangelism; and Dr. W. Mance, Connectional treasurer, and layman, of Washington, D.C., representing the General officers.

The Rt. Rev. Eugene C. Hatcher, of the Third Episcopal District, (Ohio and Pittsburgh area), a close family friend;

Dr. Richard R. Stokes, of Greater Mount Olive, and Theopolis E. Harper, both pastors; friends; and the Rt. Rev. David H. Sims, of Philadelphia, another close family associate.

Dr. John Douglas Bright, pastor of "Mother" Bethel Church, Philadelphia, read the obituary that listed as surviving immediate relatives, the widow, Mrs. Ethel Odom with whom the deceased lived at 4272 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia; two sons, Dr. Edward J. Odom, Jr., a national director of the NAACP, of New York City; and Dr. L. S. Odom of Kansas City, Kan., A. M. E. pastor; a brother, David, of Brewton, Ala.; four sisters, Mesdames Blanche Tyler of Wildwood, Fla., Daisey Johnson, Mobile, Ala., Melissa Bronner, Rahway, N.J., and Gertrude McEchern of Newark, N.J., and a grandson, Edward J. Odom 3rd.

OTHER SERVICE participants included Bishops S. L. Greene, senior prelate of Atlanta, Ga., and Florida, who led the procession; Joseph Gomez, of Detroit, offering the invocation; F. D. Jordan of Louisiana and Mississippi; and Los Angeles; H. Thomas Primm, of Georgia, the scripture lessons;

Also Bishops Carey A. Gibbs, Alabama, and North Carolina, respectively. Dr. Russell S. Brown, Connectional Secretary of Washington, D.C., and Chicago, sang a solo, "I shall not pass again this Way."

Bishop I. H. Bonner of South Carolina, offered the benediction, and Dr. George A. Singleton, editor, the A. M. E. Church Review, of Philadelphia, led the recessional.

The remains were committed to the Rt. Revs. E. L. Hickman of Kentucky, and Tennessee; and O. L. Sherman of Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Family Readies

Services for Judge Millen

Arrangements were being made Sunday for the funeral of Judge Herbert E. Millen of Municipal Court, first Negro jurist in Pennsylvania, who died Saturday night at Stanford Hospital in San Francisco. The family's plans awaited transportation of the body to Philadelphia.

Judge Millen, who was 67 and lived at 363 Pelham rd., Mount Airy, entered the hospital July 11 after being stricken while vacationing on the West Coast with his wife, Madeleine. He died "very suddenly" just as he appeared to be rallying, a hospital spokesman said.

APPOINTED IN 1947 Judge Millen was appointed to Municipal Court on Oct. 29, 1947, by former Gov. James H. Duff to fill a vacancy created by the death of President Judge Charles L. Brown. He was subsequently elected to a 10-year term and this year was nominated for another full term.

A respected jurist, he also was the first of his race to attain a high position in city government. He was appointed Assistant Director of Public Safety in 1940 and occupied that position until 1946 when he resigned and returned to private law practice.

WAS STATE OFFICIAL

A native of Lancaster county, he was graduated from Lincoln University, Oxford, Pa., and the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania. He first held public office as Deputy Attorney General in the Pinchot Administration.

Many Notables Attend

Judge Millen's Rites Reflect Useful Career

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — The civic, religious, political and fraternal leaders of this city and many notables from other parts of the state and nation, paid last respects here Friday to Municipal Court Judge Herbert E. Millen, who was buried in Darby Eden Cemetery following services Thursday night and Friday at Reeves Memorial Presbyterian Church, 50th and Aspen Sts.

Judge Millen died in San Francisco's Stanford Hospital, where he was admitted July 11, after collapsing in a railroad station.

The rites for Judge Millen, which began with the viewing of the body Thursday at the Reeves Presbyterian Church, after which Masonic services were held both by a third degree "Blue House" team and a 32° team of Masons (with 33° members present) in honor of Judge Millen, who himself was a 33° holder, reflected Judge Millen's life.

THE HONORARY pallbearers, who were his fellow-members of the Municipal Court bench, reflected his career as a judge. They took part in the 11 A.M. Friday service. He was the first Negro to serve as a jurist in Pennsylvania.

The police escort provided by the City of Philadelphia also pointed out what his life had been. The police escort was made up of many of the men whom Judge Millen had personally sworn into office years before when he was the state's first assistant director of Public Safety.

In the religious field, Judge Millen's achievement at having been the first Negro to serve on the General Council of the Presbyterian Church in the USA, was reflected by the large number of clergymen who took part in his services.

IN ADDITION to the Rev. A. E. Rankin, interim minister from Reeves Memorial Presbyterian Church from which Judge Millen was being buried, officiating were the Rev. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the Pres-

byterian Church and representative of the National Council of Churches, and Harry E. Willard, ruling elder of Reeves Memorial Church.

His almost life-long connection with Lincoln University of Pennsylvania was reflected by the presence on the platform of Atty. Lewis Stevens of the board of trustees of Lincoln University, who was also a speaker.

The main eulogy was given by the Rev. E. Luther Cunningham, minister of the St. Paul Baptist Church of Philadelphia, who knew Judge Millen well. The benediction was given by the Rev. Fletcher Bryant.

JUDGE MILLEN'S life as a politician was seen in the many political figures, both Democratic and Republican who attended. Also present was Harold E. Stassen, who once was Governor of Minnesota, who held high posts of national and international stature in the Eisenhower Administration, and who was a candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania in the last gubernatorial primaries. There were local and state politicians present without number.

Services were in charge of Paul S. Terry, mortician.

M. P. Blakemore

Kappa Frat Founder Is Death Victim

PITTSBURGH—Dr. Marcus P. Blakemore, one of the 10 men who founded the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at the University of Indiana in 1911, died here Friday, Oct. 8.

Death came after a long fight against a crippling ailment that hospitalized Dr. Blakemore for months at the Pittsburgh Veterans Administration Hospital.

He became the fifth of the 10 founders of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity to die, and climaxed a noteworthy career of service to the people of Pittsburgh as an outstanding dentist and to the fraternity as an untiring worker in advancing the precepts and practices of the organization he helped to start.

DR. BLAKEMORE was born in Franklin, Ind., Jan. 3, 1889, the son of Thomas M. Blakemore, a blacksmith, and Rose E. (Young) Blakemore, a school teacher.

He attended public schools in Anderson, Ind., and was gradu-



DR. M. P. BLAKEMORE

ated from Anderson High School in 1910.

He entered the University of Indiana in 1911, thus becoming one of the early pioneers of collegiate education for Negroes and at the university he became associated with other Negro students in attendance and joined with Elder W. Diggs, Guy L. Grant and the other well-known founders in formulating the basic framework of a Negro fraternal organization which has survived through the years and now has 237 chapters located in colleges and universities throughout the United States.

FROM 1912 TO 1918, Marcus P. Blakemore operated a successful Electric Company in Anderson, Ind.

He served during World War I in the U. S. Army, and after the end of his Army service married Azalea Hall in Anderson in 1919. He then entered University of Pittsburgh and was graduated in 1923 with a degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery.

He started his local practice of dentistry at 2169 Wylie Ave. in Pittsburgh, and remained active in his profession for 35 years.

WHILE PRACTICING, he returned to the University of Pittsburgh in 1942 and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree and continuing his education obtained in 1949 his M.S. degree in Prosthetic Dentistry and became the first Negro to complete graduate studies at the University of Pittsburgh Dental School.

Dr. Blakemore was a member of the American Dental Association and a member of Western Pennsylvania Dental Society and a staunch member of Ebenezer Baptist Church.

He was also a charter member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and was the organizing influence in the founding of the undergraduate chapter of the fraternity at the University of Duquesne in 1937.

HE IS SURVIVED by three sisters, Mrs. Eleanor Alexander of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Edna Gentry of Boston, Mass., and Mrs. Thomasine Hopson of Indianapolis, Ind.; a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Hughes of Anderson, Ind.; his bereaved widow, Mrs. Azalea Blakemore, and many nephews, nieces and friends.

The remains are at the Poole Funeral Home, 2161 Wylie Ave., where the family is receiving friends. Burial will be from the Ebenezer Baptist Church early in the week.

Each of the 22,000 and more members of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity were familiar with the name, Marcus P. Blakemore, and revered him for his part in the founding of their organization. They join with his family, friends and associates in mourning his death.

Judge Millen Dies on Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Judge Herbert E. Millen, Philadelphia's first colored municipal court judge, died here at Stanford Hospital last Saturday night.

His bride of a few months with whom he was vacationing here when first stricken. He is also survived by a niece, Mrs. Frances Edwards,

who flew here from Philadelphia earlier this week.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at presstime.

The 67-year-old jurist was stricken with a heart attack on Sunday two weeks ago while vacationing here with Mrs. Millen. He was rushed to Stanford Hospital.

While seeming to recover from the first attack, Judge Millen suffered two more attacks on the following Saturday.

Following these attacks, Mrs. Millen told the AFRO: "Judge Millen is just holding his own."

Mrs. Millen was restricted to five-minute visits.

JUDGE MILLEN was born in Strasburg, Pa., and was graduated from Lincoln University and the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He practiced law for 27 years before being appointed the first colored judge in Philadelphia's history in 1947.

Before then, in 1940, he was the first colored assistant director of public safety. He held several appointive positions during his long career of service in the city.

Noted Judge Succumbs At Age Of 67

Philadelphia's
Herbert Millen

A Man Of "Firsts"

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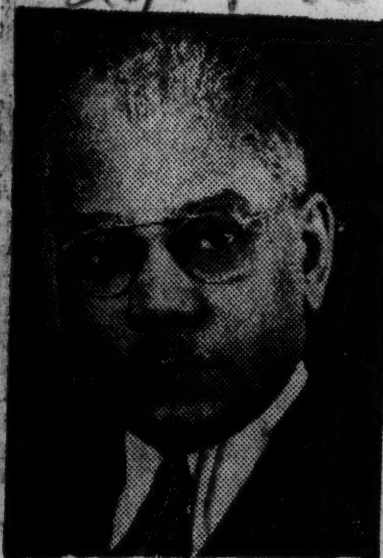
Hundreds of Philadelphians kept sorrowful vigil at International Airport Tuesday night awaiting the arrival of the plane bearing the mortal remains of Judge Herbert E. Millen, the farm boy who rose from his lowly state to become the first colored person to mount the Municipal Court

bench in Philadelphia. Judge Millen, 67, died suddenly at a San Francisco hospital Saturday after suffering three heart attacks while vacationing on the West Coast with his wife of five months.

A CIVIC, fraternal, church and business leader, Judge Millen arose from the role of farm boy at the holdings of his parents in Lancaster county, Pa. to establish "firsts" in many endeavors.

One "first" was his appoint-

Man Of Many "Firsts" Dies



JUDGE HERBERT MILLEN Claimed By Death

ment as first colored judge of the Municipal Court here in 1947 by then-Gov. James H. Duff. He served on the Municipal Court bench for 12 years and last May was appointed to a second 10-year term.

ANOTHER "FIRST" was his appointment as assistant director of public safety in Philadelphia in 1940. In addition, Judge Millen was named to a public post in 1934 and when he became an assistant district attorney. His next public appointment came in 1939 when he was made secretary of the County Board of Assistance. In 1944, he became the first colored member of the Philadelphia County Board of Law Examiners. He was also the first Negro elected a member of the General Council of the Presbyterian Church in the USA.

He served as president of the Mercy-Douglass Hospital School for Nurses, 1948-58; was president of the local NAACP branch; was once president of the Provident Home Industrial Mutual Life Insurance company; served two terms as grand master of Pennsylvania Masons; was a member of the City Housing Rent Commission; a trustee of Lincoln (Pa.) University and the Downingtown school and other groups.

In addition to Mrs. Millen, the former Miss Madeline Green, a teacher in Long Island schools to whom he was wed last February, Judge Millen is survived by a brother, Raymond, and a niece, Mrs. Richard Edwards.

Dr. Gittens Buried in McKeesport

McKEESPORT, Pa. — Funeral services were held Aug. 2 for Dr. William Wallace Gittens, prominent physician, who died last Thursday in the McKeesport Hospital.



Dr. Gittens

Born March 17, 1881 in St. Joseph's Parish, Barbados, B.W.I., Dr. Gittens was graduated from Livingston College in 1908, and from Howard Medical School in 1911. Prior to coming to McKeesport in 1922, he practiced medicine in York, Pa.

Dr. Gittens was a member of many national and local organizations, including the National Medical Society, American Medical Association, Chi Delta Mu and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternities, and Loendi Club of Pittsburgh. He was also a trustee of Bethlehem Baptist Church, where last rites were conducted by Dr. J. B. Hayes.

BESIDES HIS WIDOW, Mrs. Virginia M. Gittens, the deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Dabney of Peters-

burg, Va., and Mrs. Berniece Jenkins of Orangeburg, S. C.; a son, Kenneth Dalton Pangburn, Chicago, Ill., and 10 grandchildren.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Clarice Gamble, Mrs. Millicent Wade and Mrs. Edith Morton, all of New York City; four brothers, Leslie, Duncan and Adolphus Gittens, of New York City, and Charles Gittens of Plainfield, N. J.

Several nieces and nephews survive, including Dr. Harcourt Harris of Detroit, Mich.

JUDGE MILLEN, FIRST PHILLY JURIST, DIES

By CONRAD CLARK
PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Judge Herbert E. Millen, 67, Pennsylvania's first Negro jurist, died Saturday night at Stanford Hospital in San Francisco, Calif.

A native of Lancaster County, where his family had lived for five generations, Judge Millen resided here with his wife at 363 Pellam Road in Mount Airy.

The jurist, a leader in the Republican party in this city, was stricken early this month, while vacationing on the West Coast with his wife, Madeline.

He entered the hospital on July 11, and seemed to have been on the road to recovery, according to a spokesman at the hospital.

It was reported that the judge had appeared to rally and felt better at dinner time, then he died, "very, very suddenly," the report added.

DEPUTY ATTORNEY

A graduate of Lincoln University and the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, the jurist first held public office as Deputy Attorney General in the Pinchot Administration.

Judge Millen was appointed to Municipal Court on Oct. 29, 1947 by Gov. James H. Duff to fill a vacancy created by the death of President Judge Charles L. Brown.

In making the appointment, the Governor said at that time, he was making his choice of Millen, "a widely respected attorney" because he has the "character and the ability to adequately fill the position."

The judge was subsequently elected to a 10-year-term and this year was nominated for another full term.

Chappel is buried in U. S. plot

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Quiet dignity marked funeral services for former Mayor Gilmore Judge Chappel Sr., of Lawnside, in marked contrast to happenings preceding his death on Saturday, Oct. 31, in the Hannerman Hospital, this city.

The handsome, 45-year-old husband of Mrs. Loretta Chappel, father of their 9-year-old son, Henry; and of two other sons, Gilmore Jr. and George, by a former marriage, lay in a grey open casket, in the Walter Beckett Funeral Home, from 5 p.m. to 8 o'clock, last Thursday, for viewing.

More than 300 persons passed the bier, many from the borough of Lawnside where the deceased served as mayor two years, during which time the town's first borough hall was constructed, and dedicated.

Seated in the mourner's row, directly in front of the casket were Mr. Chappel's two oldest sons. The youths, 22, and 23 years of age, wept quietly throughout the viewing, and funeral.

Directly back of the sons sat the widow, dressed in modish black; their son, Henry, who wore a long-trousered suit of grey; Mrs. Lydia Bell, the widow's mother who has been an attaché in the city Department of Records many years; and her other daughter, Miss Lydia Bell, a Quartermaster Depot employee.

Also, the aged mother of the deceased, Mrs. Lelia Chappel, who appeared worn and grief-stricken, but otherwise showed no undue emotion; and her daughters, Mesdames Lelia Vann, Wilhelmina Overby, Elizabeth Lemmon, Emma Hargris, Miss Lillie Chappel and other distant relatives.

The sisters, all in deep black, appeared deeply moved, but one of them, Mrs. Lelia Vann, became overcome during the viewing, that followed the service, and had to be administered aid.

They all sat throughout the service and gazed at their departed relative who was clad in a grey tweed suit, from a collection he owned; an immaculately white shirt, for which he was known; and a grey and white striped four-in-hand tie. A white handkerchief, grey bordered, was tucked in his coat pocket on the new out-of-space angle. His face reflected complete peace.

The funeral service that lasted less than 50 minutes was conducted entirely by the Rev. Willard Lamb, of Germantown, son of a prominent Germantown clergyman.

Following the invocation in which he implored that "peace and understanding prevail," he announced the hymn, "O, Thou in Whose Presence My Soul Takes Delight."

Following a scripture lesson, acknowledgement was made of "many telegrams, letters, and other expressions of sympathy, too numerous to be read."

Scholarship Perpetuates Name

However two resolutions, from the Borough of Lawnside, were read, by the clergyman, in their entirety. One was from the Borough Council, in which the deceased was lauded for the unprecedented excellent work accomplished under his administration as mayor.

The second, from the First Regular Democratic Club, stated the annual award made by the former mayor to out-

standing public school honor student, "shall be perpetuated by the club as the 'Gilmore Chappel Memorial Award.'" The resolution ended with the poem, "There is no Death!"

Miss Martha Walker, close friend of the family, read the obituary, after which another intimate friend, Mrs. Wilda R. Smith, of Camden, offered a solo, "Jesus Never Fails."

EULOGY:

"Building Not Made With Hands"

The Rev. Mr. Lamb, gave the main eulogy, based on "Knowledge." "People succeed, or fail, according to confidence, or lack of it, as to what they know," he said.

Knowing that one has a "building, not made with hands," aids in leading a fruitful life, and dying a peaceful death," he said. The message was one of great consolation to the bereaved relatives.

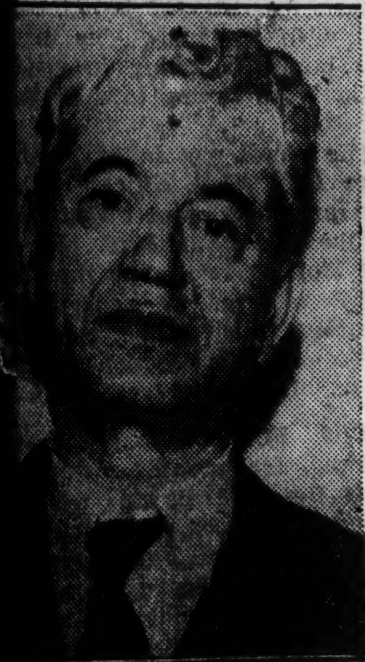
Many friends had sent floral tributes that filled the chapel, even along sides of the chapel's wall. A large spray, marked "My Husband," lay full length across the casket's top. Other tributes from the mother, and sisters were massed also.

Friday morning, full military honors that include gun-salute comrades marked burial in the U.S. National Cemetery, Beverly, N.J.

Mr. Chappel, native of Philadelphia, served in World War II in the USAF. A United States flag was presented to the widow, at graveside, which she says she shall preserve for their son.

Mrs. Chappel, the widow, and her son, reside at 302 Gorgas Lane, a property purchased recently by her husband. Their legal residence was at 343 Warwick Rd., Lawnside. He held the post of field representative for the Camden County Tax Division until his death.

Veteran Scribe Is Mourned



JOHN C. MINKINS
Eulogized

Journal and Guide
John Minkins,
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(Special to Journal & Guide)
PAWTUCKET, R. I. — John Carter Minkins, 80, Rhode Island's oldest newsman, died recently at his home here at 215 Glenwood avenue. Death was due to an intestinal obstruction and old age. He had resided at the Glenwood avenue address for 59 years. He was a native of Norfolk, Va. Mr. Minkins was widely known as a journalist and champion of causes he believed to be just. He wrote regularly until the last for the Washington Eagle, official publication for the Improved Benevolent Protective Order

of Elks of the World.

Journal and Guide
HE WAS FOR five years editor-in-chief of the Providence News. He is believed to be the only member of his race to hold such a position with a white newspaper in Rhode Island. Mr. Minkins wrote for the largest newspapers, contributed a Sunday letter to the Boston Globe for 36 years, and was correspondent for the New York Herald for a number of years.

HE TOLD A TIMES interviewer in 1954: "In 63 years of journalism I ran the gamut, everything from penny d solicitor and space reporter up to editor-in-chief." This is evidence of the man's versatility.

He was deskman and editorial writer for the Pawtucket Times from 1900 to 1904. After he was city editor of the Providence Tribune, and feature writer for the Providence News-Tribune. He worked under David O. Black on the Times, whom he remembered as a man "who knew more of what was going on than his news gatherers."

THE MINKINS delighted in getting scoops for Newspapers. In 1912, President Wilson, then Governor of New Jersey, visited Rhode Island. Reporters met him at a news conference, and got similar stories. But Mr. Minkins met him at Union Station and rode the train with him to Jersey, bringing back an exclusive story.

He was interested in political news. He knew the issues intimately and wrote speeches for many political figures, Democrat and Republican.

MR. MINKINS, from 1911 to 1915, conducted the Rhode Island Examiner, a Democrat publication. Later, he was co-editor and writer of the R. I. Free Press.

Mr. Minkins was born in Norfolk, Va. He was graduated from Norfolk Mission College. His wife Rosa L. (Jesus) Minkins, had a similar background. They were married in Norfolk in 1894. and

came to Providence immediately afterward. Mrs. Minkins died in 1945.

Rhode Island
MR. MINKINS was a member of the Church of the Advent. He was a member of Otha Boon Lodge, Elks of the World, and was its grand lodge reporter.

Mr. Minkins was proud of his family. He and Mrs. Minkins had eight daughters, five of whom are living. One, Miss Rosa J. Minkins, is West high school librarian.

HE LEAVES four other daughters, Mrs. Russell A. Clark, Miss Georgianna F. Minkins and Miss Beatrice C. Minkins, all of Pawtucket, and Mrs. Silas Stanley of San Francisco, and a grandson, Wayne M. Stanley of San Francisco.

Funeral services was held from the H. P. Judson and Sons Funeral Home with requiem mass in the Church of the Advent. The Rev. Harold R. Carter, rector, officiated. Interment was in North Burial Ground in Providence.

Prominent Farmer**C. H. Hubbard, 89,
Dies in Orangeburg**

ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Funeral services were held from Zion Methodist Church last week for C. H. Hubbard, 89, prominent farmer, religious and civic leader who died following a lingering illness.

Born in Marlboro County, Mr. Hubbard came to Orangeburg in 1912. He was married twice. His first wife, the former Hannah Pages, gave birth to 13 children, nine boys and four girls. His second marriage to the former Sarah Hook produced eight more children, five boys and three girls.

In the early 'twenties he spearheaded the movement to build Zion School by soliciting funds from the Rosenwald Foundation and Orangeburg County. Each of these agencies gave an equal portion of \$1,200, and with this amount the school was built.

For many years he received the Soil Conservation Award for Orangeburg County in recognition of his outstanding performance in planning, applying and maintaining a soil and water conservation program for his entire farm. He was a member of Zion Methodist Church of Jamison, where he was a lay leader, chairman of the trustees and stewards boards and a Sunday school teacher.

Despite his limitations insofar as formal education is concerned, Mr. Hubbard was an avid reader and gained his education from the "school of experience."

His greatest bequest to his family and the community, perhaps, was his strict adherence to his philosophy of life which was "... to do justly, to love mercy and walk humbly before thy God."

**Only Negro School Trustee
In Beaufort Fatally Hurt**

BEAUFORT (Special)—M. T. Wildy, 69, only Negro member of the Beaufort County District 1 School Board, was instantly killed about 7:30 a.m. Thursday on highway 21 just north of Smoaks. His wife, Louise Hay Wildy, and a granddaughter were with him at the time. The child was uninjured and his wife escaped with minor injuries.

The car was travelling south toward Beaufort when it hit a projecting limb of a tree which sheared off the roof of the car, killing Wildy.

It is reported that as soon as the Wildy wreckage was cleared away, another automobile crashed into the same tree limb, injuring its two passengers.

Wildy was born in Albion, Va., and had been a member of the local school board many years. He was not the first Negro so to serve. About 20 years ago, a predecessor of his was Jack Wright, father of Joseph Wright of Beaufort.

Surviving Wildy are his widow, three sons, Maurice W. Wildy, M. T. Wildy Jr. and Shirley B. Wildy, and a daughter, Jean Kennedy, and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 3 P.M. in the Frissel Memorial Building, Penn School Center.

Wildy was employed at the U.S. Naval Hospital here since it was built, more than 10 years ago. The Wright-Donaldson Funeral Home has charge of funeral arrangements.

**President Of
Greenville, S.C.
NCNW Passes**

GREENVILLE, S.C.—Mrs. C. M. Franks, president of the Greenville S.C. Council of Negro Women, passed at her home here September 4. She was funeralized at the Springfield Baptist Church Tuesday, September 8, at 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. Franks' death is a great loss to the National Council of Negro Women. She was a dynamic, faithful worker in all civic affairs that stood for the improvement of her Greenville S.C. community; and was constantly sought for her service and advice concerning all things that concerned the welfare of women, children, and community advancement.

Her service to Region 3 will long be remembered, and her place will be hard to fill. To her family, her church, and her community, deepest sympathy is extended from the National Council of Negro Women, and especially from Region 3, where she served so loyally.

Mrs. L. D. Shivery is director of Region 3, and Mrs. W. A. Scott is public relations, N.C.N.W., Atlanta, Ga.

Rites At Fisk Chapel For Mrs. Sonoma Talley Hadley; Pearl High Music Teacher

Funeral services for Mrs. Sonoma Talley Hadley, well-known former music teacher at Pearl Senior High School, were conducted last Tuesday from Memorial Chapel of Fisk University.

Mrs. Hadley died last Saturday morning at a local hospital. Death followed an illness that struck Mrs. Hadley as she was on duty several months ago in her much-loved profession at Pearl High.

Eulogies at the service were given by the Rev. Wilson Q. Welch, Fisk dean of chapel, and the Rev. Jerome Wright, pastor of Community Baptist Church.

Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Known and loved widely as "Miss Talley" by hundreds of students she had taught at Pearl High, Mrs. Hadley was a graduate of Fisk University. Her significant contribution to the music program at this fame institution over a period of years was regarded as a definite attribute to the cultural life of Nashville.

Surviving are her husband, Mr. Walter Hadley; son, Mr. Richard Swanson; and a sister, Mrs. Thomasina Talley Greene.

Noted Bapt. Leader Was Executive Secy. Of S. S. Pub. Board

Funeral Services For Versatile Nashville Man Held At His Beloved Spruce Street Baptist Church; Was Meharry Graduate And Trustee; Led Forces In The Construction And Financing Of The Morris Memorial Building

By Luther Carmichael

Dr. Arthur Melvin Townsend, noted physician, teacher, builder, businessman, musician, minister, religious leader and executive secretary of the Sunday School Publishing Board, National Baptist Convention, USA., Incorporated, has gone to his reward.

Dr. Townsend died suddenly last Monday morning, April 20, when he suffered a heart attack at his home, 1044 Twenty-ninth Avenue, North. The end came at 9:56 a.m.

The passing of the noted leader created a pall of gloom and grief over the city and the entire nation, which he had served incessantly since his graduation from medical school shortly after the turn of the century.

In the meantime, men and women in all walks of life mourned his passing and lauded his accomplishments with paeans of praise. Here in Nashville, continuous prayer services were held at his beloved Spruce Street Baptist Church from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily, until the day of the funeral, which was held at the church, Friday, April 24, with Dr. M. H. Ribbins, Dr. C. L. Dinkins and the Rev. L. H. Woolfolk, and others, conducting the services.

Despite his advanced years, Dr. Townsend was actively engaged in his various duties until the end. At the time of his fatal attack, he was preparing to leave his home for his office in the Morris Memorial Building, Fourth and Charlotte.

Winchester Native

Born October 26, 1875 at Winchester, Tennessee, Dr. Townsend

was the son of the late Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Townsend. The father was a noted pioneer minister and educator, for whom the county high school is named.

Following in the footsteps of his father, Dr. Townsend attended Roger Williams University in Nashville, from which he was graduated with top honors in 1898. Following his graduation from Roger Williams, he entered Meharry Medical College, from which he received his M. D. degree in 1902, again winning top honors in his class. During the off months from school, he taught in rural schools in his home county, and while in school he served as organist in several Nashville churches and gave private lessons in his spare time.

He enjoyed a wide practice of his profession in Nashville until he took over as president of Roger Williams University in 1913. Along with the practice of his profession he served with distinction as a member of the Meharry Medical College faculty.

Rebuilds Roger Williams

During his entire career Dr.

Townsend was imbued with a zeal for religious activities. At Roger Williams, he led the forces in the rebuilding of the school on White's Creek Pike. It was during his tenure that the famed Roger Williams Singers, under the direction of his wife, the late Mrs. Willa Ann Hadley Townsend, traveled extensively to raise funds for the rebuilding of the school. Both Townsend Hall, a dormitory and classroom building and a home for the school's president were erected during his administration.

He left Roger Williams to accept a call to pastor the famed Metropolitan Baptist Church in Memphis. Again, he found himself at the helm in a rebuilding drive, and when he left to become executive secretary of the Sunday School Publishing Board in 1920, the new church was well on its way to completion.

Builds Morris Memorial

When Dr. Townsend came back to Nashville to assume his new duties, the Sunday School Publishing Board was operating in an old brick building next door to the present building on the corner of fourth and Charlotte. Space was inadequate, and the entire building was unsuitable for a publishing house.

With Dr. Townsend leading, plans were formulated for the building of a new publishing house. First, a place had to be found for the site of the new building, and a deal was closed for the purchase of the Old Commercial Hotel for \$30,000—a place where Negro slaves had been bought and sold during slavery years.

Dr. Townsend came up with a plan to get 300 people to give \$100 each for the purchase price of the new publishing house site. These 300 persons would be memorialized in plaque and picture in the halls of the new building. The plan caught fire, and the \$30,000 was raised; thus, the "Memorial 300" pictures and plaque now hanging in Morris Memorial's Hall of Fame.

Master Builder

Dr. Townsend organized his forces and proceeded to travel the country over for the raising of funds for the erection of the new building. Again, his efforts were highly successful.

In the meantime, he headed a hard-working building committee, of which he was the last to pass on. The hard-working secretary did not flinch under this tremendous

load. They planned, and constructed the building, which was ready for occupancy in 1925—some two years after the ground had been broken. The building was not only completed by 1925, but was fully equipped from basement to roof garden.

But a big task was still ahead. The building was refinanced in 1925, and Dr. Townsend had to corral his forces again to pay off the indebtedness. The mortgage was burned in December, 1942, and again the noted leader of men had triumphed against overwhelming odds.

The National Baptist Convention USA, now recognized and trusted implicitly the ability of Dr. Townsend to get things done, and when the group decided to purchase and remodel the Old Woodmen Bath House at Hot Springs, he was elected to lead the forces.

With the same capacity for hard work which characterized the building of the publishing house, Dr. Townsend took the helm in this endeavor. Results: one of the finest health centers and hotels for Negroes in the country.

It was largely through the efforts of Dr. Townsend that the National Baptist Missionary Training School on the old Roger Williams campus came into being. As board chairman, he was the guiding hand in this endeavor for a number of years. He was also a staunch backer, and prominent trustee of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, which occupies the adjoining plot to the training school.

Stalwart Churchman

Perhaps one of Dr. Townsend's most enjoyable contributions was his work at Spruce Street Baptist Church, of which he was a member.

He served through crisis after crisis as interim pastor, and was in the leadership when the church built its present \$300,000 plant at Pearl Street and Twentieth Avenue. He was in the lead when the church remodeled some years ago at the old site on Eighth Avenue, North. Dr. Townsend served also as secretary of the Tennessee Baptist H and E Convention for a number of years.

Not only was Dr. Townsend a stalwart leader in the affairs of the National Baptist Convention, but he was outstanding in a number of fraternal and civic organizations.

He had served as treasurer of the Endowment Department of the Masonic Lodges of Tennessee.

cashier of the People's Bank and Trust Company, and later as auditor of the same banking concern. He was a member of the National Medical Association, the R. F. Boyd Medical Society, the Volunteer State Medical Association, the Agora Assembly and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Dr. Townsend has served for a number of years as a member of the Meharry Medical College Board of Trustees. He was the first graduate of the noted school to be elected to the board.

In addition to the prayer services and the Friday funeral services, the Spruce Street Church members held special services 10 o'clock, Thursday night, followed by Masonic services at midnight. Dr. Townsend was a 33rd Degree Mason.

Lauded By Local Papers

The accomplishments of Dr. Townsend in the elevation of the Sunday School Publishing Board from a small publishing concern to an annual gross of more than \$2,000,000 has not gone unnoticed with these, and his other accomplishments in mind. THE NASHVILLE TENNESSEAN was moved to editorialize:

"Educator, minister, physician, publisher—almost every hand in the spectrum of service in others shone through the prism of this life which began and ended in Tennessee. . . ."

Said the NASHVILLE BANNER: "Dr. Townsend attained his position of leadership by a long life of study, hard work and perseverance. And he shared the results of this achievement with those about him."

Hard Work His Hobby

An indefatigable worker, Dr. Townsend never seemed to tire of long hours spent at his desk. It was not unusual to see him come to his office shortly after 7 of mornings and remain until midnight. If he had a hobby, that hobby was hard work. And when friends and co-workers chided him about a vacation, he gave them this:

"I don't have time for a vacation . . . I'll spend my vacation up in heaven . . . " He died in the midst of a remodeling job on the Morris Memorial Building.

Dr. Townsend was married to Miss Willa Ann Hadley in 1902, and to this union was born a son, Dr. A. M. Townsend, Jr., a practicing physician of St. Louis. Mrs. Townsend died in 1947. Other survivors include three grand children, Arthur M. Townsend, III, Washington, D. C., William M. Townsend, London, England, and Miss Beverly Banks, Chicago; Sister, Mrs. Laura M. Moore; nephew and

niece, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy J. Bone, Nashville; Foster children, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Memphis; Mrs. Sadie S. Banks, Chicago, and other relatives and friends.

Death Claims Dr. A. M. Townsend

BY L. D. WILLIAMS

Nashville and the nation were shocked Monday morning of this week when the news was released that death had claimed one of the most noted of Nashvillians, in the person of Dr. Arthur Melvin Townsend, more familiarly known for many years as "Dr. A. M. Townsend."

The well known, Baptist, publisher, pastor and physician died at his home, 1044 29th Avenue N. The end came suddenly and while preparations were being made to rush him to the hospital.

Dr. Townsend, a graduate in medicine of Meharry Medical College, was also a trustee of Meharry and one of its most distinguished men of its Alumni. The newspapers on Monday afternoon gave Dr. Townsend's age as 83. He had been reasonably active until he was fatally stricken and died.

Dr. Townsend was preparing to go to his office in the Morris Memorial Building at 4th Avenue North and Cedar Street. "Fourth and Cedar" is the designation Dr. Townsend was able to get the Nashville City Council to maintain some years ago when old Cedar Street was being named Charlotte Avenue.

Dr. Townsend forsook both teaching and profession of Medicine for which he was well prepared, to take up the job of publishing religious literature after having been elected to the secretaryship of his denomination.

Dr. Townsend has been honored for many years as the financial genius of his denomination, which came into existence following the convention session held in Chicago in 1915. At that time Negro Baptists of the nation failed to agree on the matter of incorporating. Dr. Townsend served as secretary of the S. S. Publishing Board for 39 years.

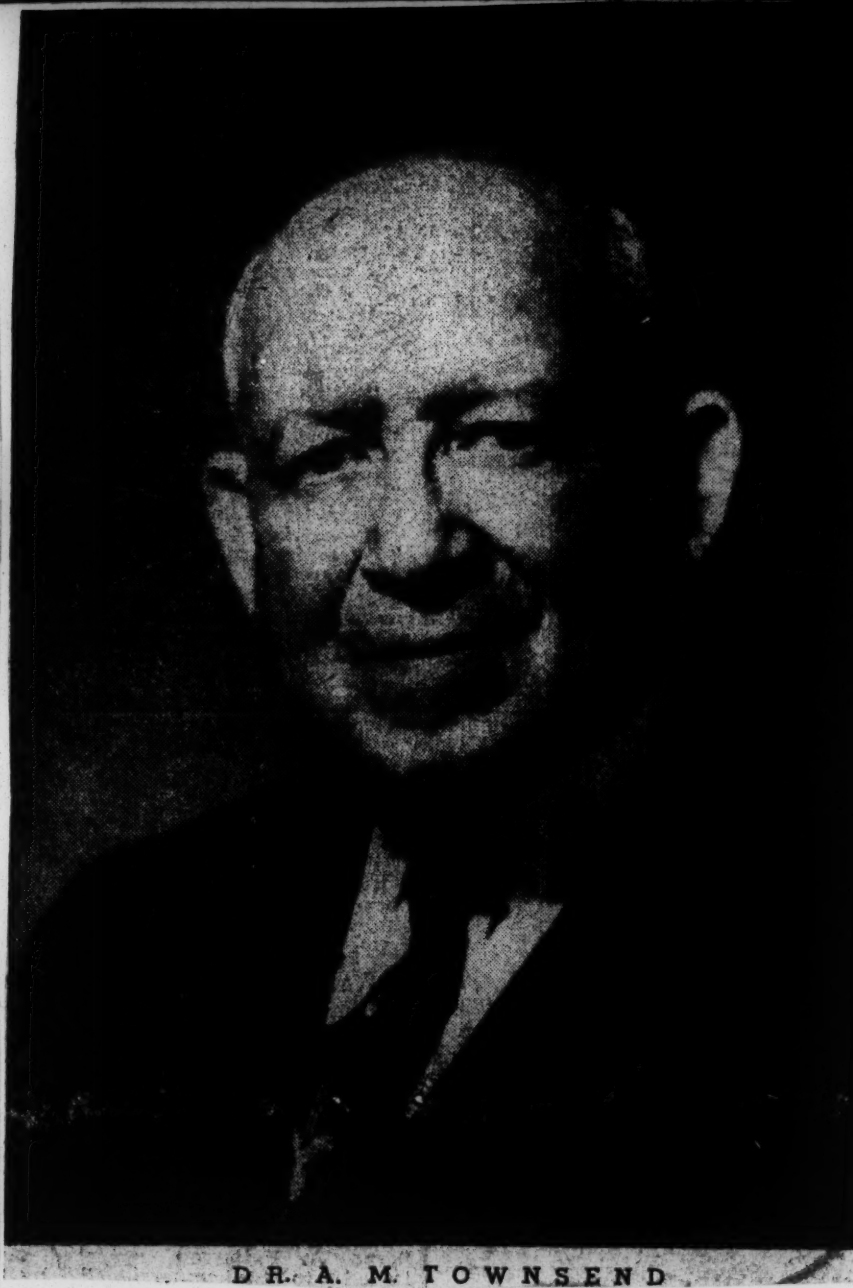
Even though Dr. Townsend found great pleasure in his publishing work, he seemed to get special delight in being a pastor. He had been pastor of a leading church in Memphis before he took over the secretaryship of the Sunday School Publishing Board. In Nashville on more than one occasion, Dr. Townsend was prevailed upon to take temporary charge of the pastorate of Spruce Street Baptist Church here.

During his long and successful career, Dr. Townsend had been a central figure in much of Tennessee's history of Negro Baptists and will be greatly missed by the host of leaders who knew him and had expressed confidence in his leadership.

During his career he had been the president of Roger Williams University, when it flourished as an educational institution here. He was a native of Winchester, Tenn., and the son of a popular Baptist minister of that town.

He also had played an important part in organizing and promoting the People's Bank and Trust Company located on the ground floor of the Morris Memorial Building.

Mrs. A. M. Townsend, who for several years was an editor of a quarterly at the Sunday School Publishing Board plan died here some 10 years ago.



D R. A. M. T O W N S E N D

Funeral Held Friday In Nashville Church

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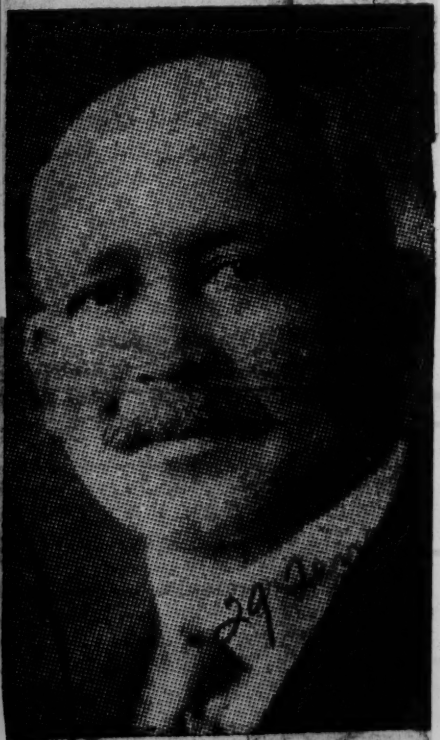
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PASSING GREAT LOSS

His passing is a distinct loss to Baptists and his works will long live after his departure from the scene of action, observers noted.

Dr. Townsend was pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church in Memphis in the early 1920's.

He was the father of Mrs. L. A. Johnson of Memphis, who is the wife of Dr. L. A. Johnson, who lives at 253 Fay St. He also has three grandchildren in Memphis.

A large delegate of Baptist ministers and lay-members from Memphis were expected to attend the funeral.

Death Of Dr. R. W. Riley Shocks Nashville Citizens

Former President of American Baptist Theological Seminary Dies in Newark, New Jersey.
by: W. A. Reed, Jr.

The sudden death of Dr. Ralph W. Riley, former president of the American Baptist Theological Seminary here, came as a shock to theologians, clergymen, churchworkers and laymen in Nashville and other cities.

Dr. Riley was the pastor of the Hopewell Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey at the time of his death on April 5 and it was from this church that funeral services were held on April 10. His former pastor in Nashville, the Rev. Kelly Miller Smith of First Baptist Church, 8th Avenue North, and many Nashvillians sped to New Jersey to attend his final rites.

The late eminent pulpiteer, educator and religious leader held many distinguished posts and served in many varied capacities during his career.

As a member of the advisory council of the American Christian Palestine Committee, he visited the Holy Land as a special representative of American Baptists.

**Nationally Prominent As Minister
Educator**

He was associated with the Benefit Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. as secretary at one time in his full career and served the famed Dexter Avenue Baptist Church of Montgomery, Alabama as pastor.

In Nashville he served as president of the American National Baptist Theological Seminary from 1945 to 1956. He also served as interim pastor of his church. The First Baptist Church, 8th Avenue North and successfully gave his prudent counsel and able leadership to the congregation until the arrival of the present church minister.

He was a graduate of Morehouse College and Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., and had done graduate work at the University of Pittsburgh and Atlanta University. His honorary degrees included the DD, degree from Selma University and the Ed. D. degree from Monrovia College, Liberia, Africa.

Dr. Riley was listed in "Who's Who in the South and Southwest" and was a member of three national societies and fraternities: Kappa Delta Pi, and Sigma Rho Sigma, societies and the Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

Colorful Civic Career in Tennessee

In Tennessee the late Dr. Riley had allied himself with such prominent groups and organizations as Universal Life Insurance Company of Memphis, as a director; the Jones Valley Finance Corporation, Prince Hall Masons (32 degree), Pride of Tennessee Lodge 1102 (Elks), a member of the board of directors and chairman of the building committee of the 18th Avenue Community Center and the Agora National Assembly.

The many and wide travels of Dr. Riley included Europe, South America, and near East, Africa and the West Indies. He served many churches and schools throughout the United States as a speaker—one constantly in demand. He left the presidency of the American Baptist Theological Seminary in 1956, served as interim pastor for the Roger Heights Baptist Church on Whites Creek Pike and accepted the pastorate of Hopewell Baptist Church in June 1956 and it was from this post of duty his career was ended this month.

Final rites for Dr. Riley were held in Newark on April 10 and at the same time former members and friends in Nashville held a service here as a final tribute to his memory.

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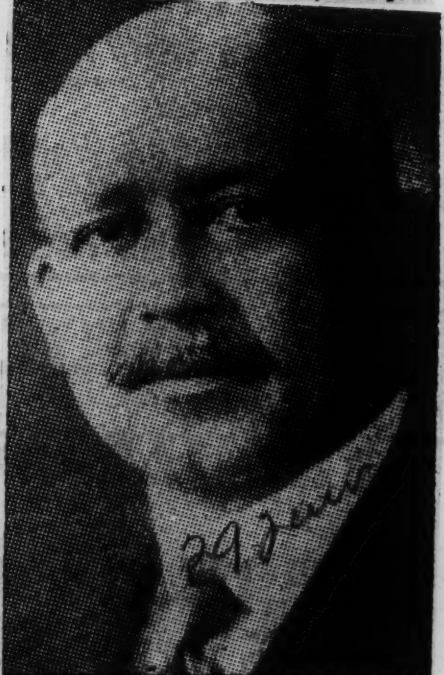
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PASSING GREAT LOSS

His passing is a distinct loss to Baptists and his works will long live after his departure from the scene of action, observers noted.



DR. A. M. TOWNSEND

C. A. Dupree 66, Succumbs Eminent Philanthropist Suffered Long Illness

HOUSTON-Houston mourns the death of Clarence A. Dupree, a great American, philanthropist, benefactor and beloved citizen, who died 11:50 Wednesday noon in the Hermann Hospital, where he had been confined several weeks. The city was plunged into grief at the death of the 66 year old humanitarian, because of his exceedingly generosity in all phases of better living, for the young and the aged.

the Eliza Johnson Home for the Aged, and the South Central YMCA and Texas Southern.

The philanthropist was the principal contributor among a small group of men who secured the scenic site of the Girl Scout's Camp Robinwood.

A native of Plaquemine, La. Mr Dupree came to Texas some two score years ago. He served as a mess sergeant with the United States Army in France during World War I.

Mr Dupree, an integral part of this citizenry, is portrayed in his many affiliations including his rank as a 33rd degree Prince Hall Mason, a member of the Eliza Johnson executive board, Trinity Methodist church, a member of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors, the Elks on McGowen, American Legion George Antoine Post, Houston Commission Forum, treasurer of the Committee on Justice and Goodwill and others. He was also a member of Magnolia Lodge F & A M.

Treasurer of the United Negro College Fund, Mr Dupree, was also the treasurer of the Houston Business and Professional Men's Club, and was a member of the Community Council of Houston and Harris County board of directors.

At the time of death Mr Dupree was also treasurer of the Eldorado Club, a longtime member of the Adelphi Club, and he served as treasurer of the Heaman Sweatt Victory Fund, which resulted in the Su-

preme Court knocking down segregation at the University of Texas.

His resources, which he so freely spread to his fellow man, were the sweat of his personal hard labor, working first at the Bender Hotel with his dear friends, Oscar Collins and when their daily work parted, their paths of life met again, after Mr Dupree closed his Pastime Theatre in 1930, and he was given employment by Mr Collins as his assistant in the locker room of the fashionable River Oaks Country Club.

Before another decade, Mr Dupree had completed and entered his modern Eldorado Building.

Mr Dupree and his wife, Mrs Anna Dupree, a noted philanthropist, were married in Galveston.

Additional survivors include his cousins Mrs Cecila Smith, Houston, Mrs Vincient Vieria, Mrs Carolyn Pont, San Francisco, Arthur Johnson, San Francisco and Matt Meredieth Albany New York.

Funeral service has been set tentatively for 1 p.m. Friday at Trinity Methodist Church, Holman and Live Oak, with the pastor, Rev Robert E Hayes officiating, assisted by Dr J. S. Scott, retired president, Wiley College, Rev F. L. Dickey pastor, Mt Zion Baptist Church and Rev Earl R. Boone, pastor, Antioch Baptist Church. Dr J. Reuben Sheeler of Texas Southern University will give the principal tribute.

Active pallbearers include L. Banks, Pleas Smith, Joe Bradley, Perry Brantley, S. J. Graves, John E. Codwell, William Moore and James O. Perry. Burial will be in Paradise Cemetery with McCoy and Harrison in charge.

TEXAS

Texas School Principal Killed In Car Accident

Marshall, Texas, Prof. Thomas J. Downs, a native of Harrison county and long-time resident of Marshall, Texas, died Sunday morning, Sept. 27, in the Ragland Clinic at Gilmer, Texas, from injuries sustained when his car was struck by a car Thursday afternoon, Sept. 17, while he was returning with his wife and a daughter to Marshall following the close of the school day at Valley View high school where he had been principal for 31 years.

His death brought to two the number of casualties resulting from the accident in which his wife and daughter were also injured.

Professor Downs who observed his 77th birthday last Tuesday, was considered one of the outstanding educators of the East Texas area. Besides serving as principal of the Valley View high school, he had been one of a few Negro superintendents in the state, serving the Valley View District for 29 years, from 1929 to 1958.

He was teacher of mathematics at Bishop College, his Alma Mater, for nine years, 1921-29. In his early years, he taught two years in Panola county and one year at Kilgore. He had earned three diplomas from Bishop, his high school diploma in 1905, the B.S. degree in 1914, and the Master of Education degree in 1951. In addition, he earned the B.S. degree in Agriculture from Prairie View A. & M. College in 1933.

At the time of his death, Downs were serving as president of the National Alumni Association of Bishop College. He worked for the Texas and Pacific railroad for 22 years before going into education for a career.

Professor Downs was the father of three children and had succeeded in sending all of them except the youngest two through college. The youngest daughter, Mauletta, a student at Valley View high school now. A son, Wendell, is attending Prairie View college, and another son, Sidney, graduated in the Howard University Medical school in Washington, D.C., this month.

Four of Downs's children were by his first wife who passed in the

late twenties. He married Mrs. Laura Whitaker, the widow of Rev. Jason Whitaker in 1928, and to this union, seven children were born.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Laura Downs, who also teaches home economics at Valley View school, survived by four other daughters, Mrs. Irma Elliott, a teacher in the elementary schools of Gary, Ind.; Miss Verbenia E. Downs, a counsellor in the Washington high school of Pensacola, Fla.; Miss Annie Laura Downs, a home economist with the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C.; Miss Frankie L. Downs, an anesthetist in Houston, Texas; and two sons, Robert Chester Downs with the Department of Defense, Washington, D.C.; and Gene Downs who has been substituting for his father at the Valley View high school since the accident.

Jason Whitaker, principal of the Janie Daniels elementary school, Longview, Texas, and Horace Whitaker, science teacher at Valley View high school, sons of Mrs. Downs, also survive. He leaves also ten grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Professor Downs were held from the St. John Baptist church in the St. John Community southeast of Marshall on the Elysian Fields Road Tuesday, September 29, with the Rev. E. B. Humble, pastor, in charge.

Dr. H. E. Lee Dies; Rites Sunday At Antioch Baptist

The Informer
Houston, Texas

HOUSTON — A prominent Houston physician, Dr. H. E. Lee, who has practiced here in the city for more than a half-century died at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital Tuesday morning, where he had been admitted after being stricken earlier at his home, 2103 Berry.

Final rites have been set for 1 p. m. Sunday at Antioch Baptist church, Houston and the entire state were greatly shocked and deeply grieved at the sudden death of this eminent physician and great humanitarian.

To medical circles he was known as "the man with the magic fingers." So outstanding were his contributions to the field of medicine that he became well known locally, state wide and nationally, as a leader in the field of medical science.

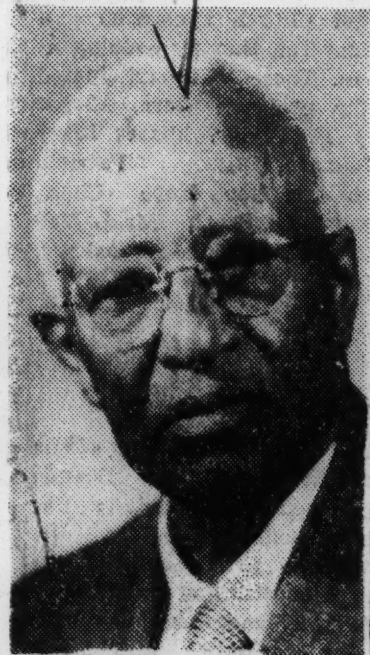
Dr. Lee was born in Midway and was one of the nine children, born to Henry and Matilda Lee. His training in medicine was secured at Meharry Medical School. He was a former member of the out patient clinic staff at Jefferson Davis Hospital a staff member of the St. Elizabeth's and Houston Negro Hospitals. He was medical examiner for the Progressive Order of Pilgrims and was a life member of the famed Mayor Clinic.

The noted surgeon was also examining doctor for the Houston Transit Company and the city of Houston Health Department. Dr. Lee had practiced medicine in Texas for more than 60 years with 51 years of practice in Houston. At an early age, Dr. Lee was married to Mrs. Rosa L. Freeman. To this happy union, one child, H. E. (Leon) Lee Jr., was born. His

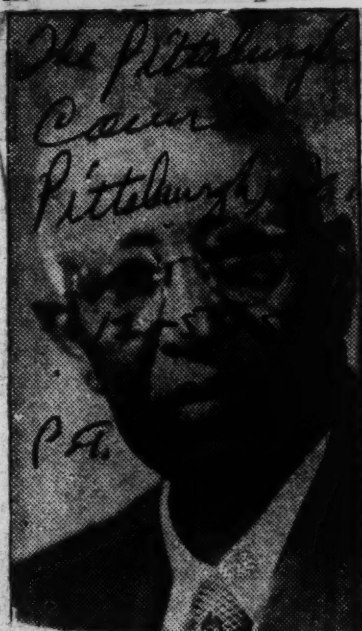
wife, Mrs. Rosa L. Lee, a retired Phillis Wheatley High School teacher and three sisters survive him.

Interment will be in Paradise Cemetery with Clay and Clay in charge.

Clay and Clay will have charge of the completion of arrangements. Graveside services under the auspices of Ionic Lodge No. 469, F and A M. Freeman Mitchell is the worshipful master.



DR. H. E. LEE



Dies at Age 79—

Dr. H. E. Lee, age 79, prominent Houston (Tex.) physician, has been buried in Paradise Cemetery. He was a past president of the National Medical Association, Tuskegee Clinic, and life member of the Surgeons Club, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

Dr. H. E. Lee, Prominent Texas Physician, Buried

The Call *Kansas City, Mo.*
Di. 12-5-52

HOUSTON, Texas. — Dr. H. E. Lee, 79, prominent Houston physician, died in St. Elizabeth's hospital, Tuesday morning, November 17. He was admitted to the hospital early Sunday morning after having been stricken earlier at his home, 2103 Berry Ave.

Houston and the entire state were shocked and grieved at the passing of the eminent physician and humanitarian.

To the medical profession he was known as "the man with the magic fingers."

Dr. Lee was born in Midway, Texas. He was a graduate of the Meharry Medical school, class of 1902. He began practicing medicine in Victoria, Texas, in 1900.

He was a former member of the Out-Patient clinic staff at Jefferson Davis hospital; an active staff member of St. Elizabeth's and Houston Negro hospitals; past president of the National Medical association and of Tuskegee clinic; a life member of the Surgeon's club, Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn.

Dr. Lee was the examining physician for the Progressive Order of Pilgrims, the Houston Transit company, local physician for the Missouri Pacific Railroad company and a member of the City of Houston Board of Health.

In 1953 he received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Tillotson college and was a member of the board of trustees of Huston-Tillotson college.

Dr. Lee has practiced medicine in Texas for more than 59 years, with 51 years of practice in Houston.

At an early age he was married to Miss Rosa L. Freemore. To this union was born one child, H. E. (Leon) Lee Jr.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Rosa L. Lee, a retired teacher of the Phillis Wheatley high school; one son, H. E. (Leon) Lee Jr. and three sisters, Miss Anna Lee, Mrs. Alice Lee Roberts and Mrs. Cassie Ashley. Also a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Zelma Lee and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Lucille Allen and many other relatives.

Dr. Lee was a member of Antioch Baptist church, 313 Robin

street, where his funeral services were held Sunday, November 22, with the Rev. E. R. Boone, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were held under the auspices of Ionic lodge No. 469, F. and A. M., Prince Hall Affiliation, Rev. Hirlton Huey, worshipful master.

Interment was in Paradise cemetery, North.



DR. H. E. LEE

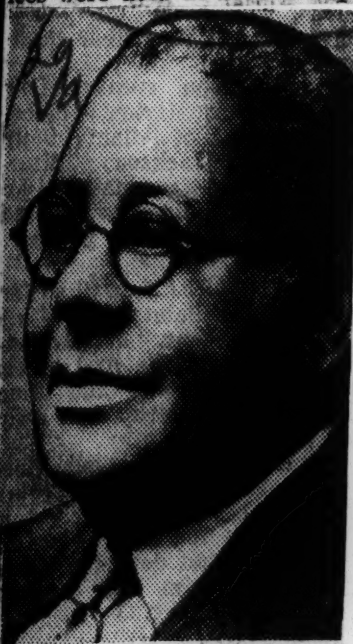
J. T. Carter Dies

Richmond
Short impressive funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Attorney James T. Carter, one of the city's most outstanding and influential citizens.

Mr. Carter died Nov. 13 at the age of 85. He made his home at 102 Overbrook Rd.

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MR. CARTER was president and general counsel of the Southern Aid Life Insurance Company, with which he was affiliated for more than 60 years.

The one-hour funeral services were held at Second Baptist Church where Mr. Carter had served as church school superintendent for more than 25 years.



JAMES T. CARTER

The eulogy was delivered by the Rev. O. D. Brown, pastor of the church. The prayer was said by the Rev. Irvin Elligan, minister of All Souls Presbyterian Church.

A lesson from the Old Testament was read by Dr. W. L. Ransome, pastor of First Baptist Church, South Richmond; and from the New Testament by Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, president of Virginia Union University.

Mr. Carter was also vice-president, director and co-counsel of the Consolidated

Bank and Trust Company. He was president - emeritus of the Richmond Community Hospital.

A native of Richmond and a product of the local schools, he studied law while employed in the firm of Christian, Gordon and Christian. He was admitted to the bar in 1917.

At the time of his death, he was a commissioner in chancery of the Law and Equity Court of Richmond.

He held membership in the Richmond Bar Association, Old Dominion Bar Association, Virginia State Bar Association, and the National Bar Association.

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HE WAS an honorary trustee of Virginia Union University, member of the Perfect Ashlar Lodge, AF and AM Masons; Phi Beta Sigma fraternity; and the Astoria Beneficial Club.

A widower, Mr. Carter is survived by a sister, Mrs. Sarah C. Spurlock of Richmond; and a brother, Clarence R. Carter of Philadelphia.

Active pallbearers were J. Carroll Beard, Thomas H. Henderson, Colston A. Lewis, Sumner G. Madden, Spottswood W. Robinson 3rd, William F. Reid, Wesley Scott and Herbert H. Southall.

The body was interred at Evergreen Cemetery under direction of the A. D. Price Funeral Home.

Jamaican Solon Dies Suddenly

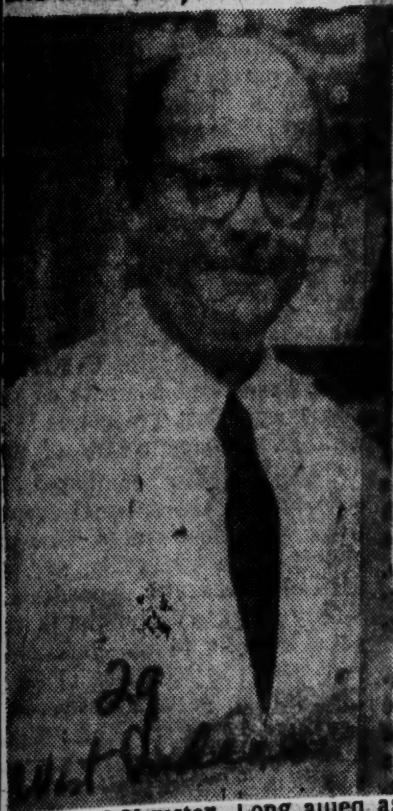
By FRANCES T. MATLOCK

Jamaica, West Indies, lost one of its most distinguished citizens this week with the death of a heart attack in Kingston of the Honorable **Newton Nethersole**.

One of Jamaica's most distinguished citizens, he was a brilliant legislator, trade unionist, economist, diplomat, sportsman and sportsman.

He was Minister of Finance and Councillor of Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation since 1940.

As Deputy Chief Minister he ranked second in government service to the Hon. Norman W. Manley.



A tireless worker for the trade union movement, he helped to develop it by serving as president of many unions, including the Jamaica Butcher's Union, Petroleum Employees Union, Taxicab Owners and Drivers Protective Co-operative Ass'n, Postal and Telegraph Workers Union, Railway Employees Union and the Government Auxiliary Workers Union. He was a trustee of many others. He served for some time as Chairman of the Trade Union Council of Jamaica.

"Crab" Nethersole, as he was affectionately known, was an ardent cricketer in his youth and retained that interest throughout his busy career. He served as Jamaican Representative of the West Indian Cricket Board of Control and member of managing committee, Kingston Cricket Club. He was also a member of the Lucas Cricket Club and the Royal Vacht Club.

Chief Minister. Long aimed as leader of the Peoples National Party, Nethersole had served for many years as first vice-president of the leading political party.

RHODES SCHOLAR

Educated at Jamaica College, he won a Rhodes Scholarship in 1933 to study at Oxford University, London. He was admitted to the practice of law as Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Jamaica in 1931. He was the island's leading political

T. G. Nutter

Leader, dies

NEW YORK — The NAACP last week mourned the death of T. Gillis Nutter of Charleston, W. Va.

a national NAACP vice president and champion of civil rights. One of West Virginia's most brilliant attorneys, T. G. Nutter



Mr. Nutter was founder of the West Virginia Conference of the NAACP (1944) and president of the association until his death on June 24, 1959.

A native of Princess Anne, Md., the 83-year-old attorney was a member of a prominent Eastern Shore family. He left no immediate survivors.

In a telegram to Willard Brown, head of the Charleston NAACP, Roy Wilkins lauded Mr. Nutter's "immeasurable" contributions to the success of the "fight for first-class citizenship for colored American."

The association's executive secretary also expressed "profound regret that he (Mr. Nutter) could not live to join us in the Golden Anniversary celebration of the organization to which he was so dedicated."

Gloster B. Current, director of NAACP branches, also recalled in a wire to the Charleston unit, the many legal cases handled and investigations made by the West Virginia leader.

Among them, Mr. Nutter was credited with breaking down segregation in Charleston's Municipal Auditorium when he presented Marian Anderson in concert before an integrated audience in 1940.

One of the last investigations

in which Mr. Nutter took part was in the 1954 uprising in Greenbriar County over school desegregation, resulting from activities of Bryant W. Bowles who gained national attention by organizing the National Association for the Advancement of White People.

Active in politics and fraternal organizations, Mrs. Nutter was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Masons, active in the Pythians and was grand exalted ruler of Elks from 1913-16.

He also was a member of the West Virginia Legislature from 1919-21. He also once was chief counsel in a \$12,000,000 property fight — he and his associates being the only colored persons involved in the case between whites.

Mr. Nutter's body was brought to Washington following funeral services in Charleston and was placed on view at the McGuire Funeral Home.

Interment was at Washington's Woodlawn Cemetery beside the grave of his wife, the former Sara N. Meriweather, who died in 1950. She formerly taught at Howard University.